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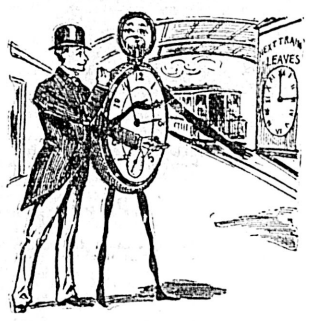

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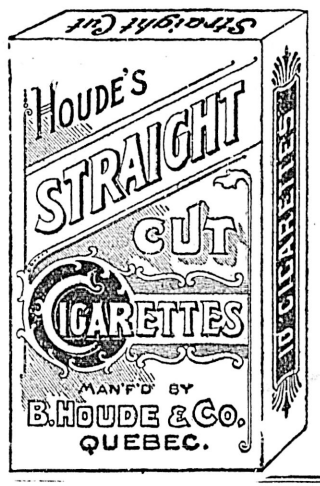

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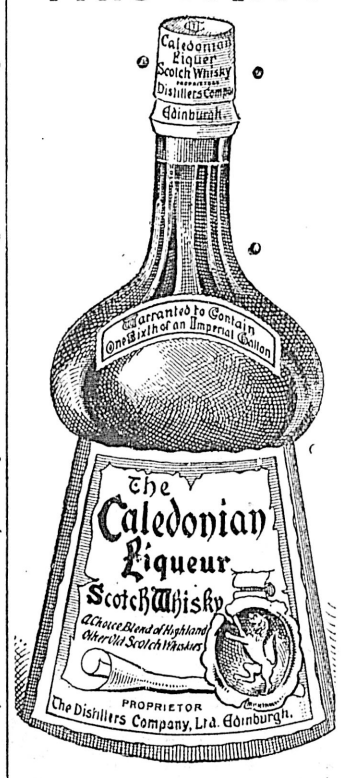

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Roberts' Victorious Army Arrive At Threshold of Defenceless Bloemfontein.

Boers in Retreat From Cape Colony Are in Presence of New Danger.

Many Indications of Complete Collapse of Lately Boastful Republics.

London, March 14.—4.30 a.m.—Nothing can be said of the advance on Bloemfontein beyond Lord Roberts' own despatch. Nothing more has been permitted to come through. Doubtless Lord Roberts himself is fully occupied with important military operations. The despatch from Capetown, saying that Gen. French has arrived at Bloemfontein," probably does not mean that he has entered the city.

Lord Roberts' movement may mean either that the Boers have cut the railway to the north or that the cavalry have done so. If the former, then it may be assumed that no rolling stock has been seized, but the general assumption is that the latter interpretation is correct. This would greatly facilitate obtaining supplies from Orange river, an important matter as Lord Roberts' line of communication with Modder bridge is now one hundred and ten miles long. The Boers may make another fight, but there is little doubt that Lord Roberts will occupy Bloemfontein to-day (Wednesday).

The Boers retiring from Orange river will find themselves betwen two British armies, and their guns are almost bound to fall into the hands of the British while the occupation of the capital of the Free State will strain the alliance of the two republic to the utmost.

The government will not allow the Kruger-Steyn matter to influence in any way their determination not to spare any effort to prosecute the war. There will be no diminution of measures calculated to maintain the full efficiency of the field force, and whatever reinforcements were previously considered advisable will still be sent out.

Lord Salisbury's reply meets with general approval among Conservatives, and it is the opinion that the Boers by their extravagant claims and chanting tone meant to influence foreign powers have again over-reached themselves as they did by the ultimatum.

Mr. Wilkinson, in the Morning Post, says: "Lord Roberts is probably waiting in front of Bloemfontein for the infantry divisions. None of them could well be expected to arrive before dark. The three divisions would probably be so directed that while the leading one would follow the cavalry and turn the Boer defences, the other two would come up on the original Boer front, so that in case of resistance, the Boers could be enveloped and compelled to retreat under difficulties and with heavy loss.

"Lord Roberts is not the man to forget, in his determination to reach a strategical point, any measures likely to contribute towards crushing a part of the enemy's forces.

"There are abundant signs of the demoralization of the Boers. The first is the bad strategy of their resistance to the advance of Lord Roberts. Then comes the messages from the Presidents to Lord Salisbury. Kruger and Steyn, it can be seen, have not quite realized their position, but Lord Salisbury's reply being precisely what the British nation expected him to send, may open their eyes."

FREE SPEECH IN ENGLAND.

Liberal Leader Complains of Popular Interference With Meetings to Discuss the War.

London, March 13.—In the House of Commons to-day Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the Liberal leader, asked Mr. A. J. Balfour whether, in view of the recent disturbances at peaceable meetings called to discuss the South African affair, or directed against the persons or property of individuals because of their opinions, the government would cause an inquiry as to how far and by whom the disturbances were organized, and as to what steps would be taken to prevent such occurrences in the future.

Mr. Balfour replied that he would consult with the home secretary, Sir Matthew White Ridley, and answer on Thursday.

TRUE TO BOER NATURE.

Plying the Pick and Shovel Even Though Captive in British Hands.

London, March 13.—The Capetown correspondent of the Standard telegraphs: "It is reported that the Boer prisoners at Symonton were found boring a tunnel under the lines of the camp. The work had made considerable progress before discovery."

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NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL.

Sir Wilfrid Eloquently Justifies Canadian Aid to Empire's Cause—To Investigate Mr. Charleson.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, March 13.—Mr. Bourassa's long hearlded motion of censure of the government for sending the contingents to South Africa was presented to-day. Mr. Bourassa made a clever speech, but Sir Wilfrid Laurier's reply did not leave him a leg to stand on. The Premier's speech was conceded to be the greatest oratorical effort of his life, and was generously applauded by both sides. The government was sustained by 119 to 10, the minority being all French-Canadians—six Liberals and four Conservatives.

The public accounts committee purposes to investigate Mr. Charleson's Dawson telegraph accounts.

Two hundred and fifty men have been secured already for the Halifax battalion.

Menacing the Prisoners.

Atrocites Upon Captured British May Accompany the Siege of Pretoria.

Boer Scheme of Flooding Ladysmith Imperilled Two Thousand Sick.

London, March 14.—Winston Churchill wires the Morning Post from Durban protesting against the ceremonious treatment of General Cronje, and adds:

"The stern decision not to exchange prisoners will undoubtedly accelerate the end of the war, but will prove very hard and perhaps even dangerous for the British prisoners in Pretoria.

"There is abundant evidence that Boers are becoming cruel and that the war enters a darker phase.

"It is very doubtful if the Boer government will be able to control the wild passions of the exasperated ruffians forming the noisy part of the Boer forces in the event of a siege of Pretoria and the position of British prisoners would become precarious.

"I have visited the dam which the Boers began on Klip river below Ladysmith. If it had been completed, it would have submerged Intombi camp, where there were 2,000 sick."

REBELS SURRENDERING.

Thousands in Cape Colony Likely to Give Themselves Up to the British.

Capetown, March 11.—News from Ladygrey, Herschel and Aliwal North show that the rebels are laying down their arms in large numbers, and that the Boers all along the border are in serious straits. The rebels assert that the Boers are subsisting on bread and water and so-called coffee, made from rye.

Other rebels are leaving to fight in the Free State. British rule has been restored at Ladygrey, where a big fight is reported to have occurred, many rebels being killed. It is reported that thousands of rebels contemplate surrendering to Gen. Brabant.

Capetown, March 14.—The Canadians from Victoria West proceeded to the Riesk districts.

A Kimberley farmer who has just returned from a trip to Barkley West reports that the country is almost deserted. He covered a distance of 75 miles. The Boers are said to be massing a strong force on the Vaal river, in the neighborhood of Klip Dam.

THE CAPE LOYALISTS.

British Commissioner Praises Their Courage, Patience and Confidence.

Capetown, March 13.—Addressing a public meeting here to-day Sir Alfred Milner, after referring to "the dark days, which we now hope are drawing to a close" eulogized the marvellous courage, patience and confidence shown by the Cape Loyalists during a season of great trial." He foreshadowed "better days that are surely coming, when the temporary bitterness of the struggle around us, has subsided." Then the national anthem was sung and Sir Alfred Milner was enthusiastically cheered.

METHUN'S MOVEMENTS.

Restoring Order and Communication in the District About Kimberley.

London, March 14.—The Daily Mail has the following despatch from Kimberley, dated Tuesday, March 13: Lord Methuen occupied Poshof on Sunday without opposition. He left a garrison there and returned here.

"The railway and telegraph lines have been repaired forty miles north to Slyp Klip. It is understood that the line between Fourteen Streams and Vryburg is not badly damaged."

ZULU CHIEFS QUARREL.

Natives Well Pleased at the Prospect of Fighting—Boer Women's Lament.

Lebombo, March 5—(Via Lorenzo Marques, March 13).—Trouble is expected between Chief Ogelequana and Chief Umbogase, in British Zululand. The Boys are anxious that the chiefs should quarrel, and they are prepared to support the former, as is also the Swasi queen. The Zulu king, however, upholds Umbogase.

The women at Pieterif laager are lamenting over the heavy Boer loss around Ladysmith.

Mafeking Holds Out

Siege Conducted With Greater Vigor But Plumer's Force Is Near.

Boers Lately Occupied Foremost Trenches But Fled Before British Charge.

Terrible Sufferings of Women and Children From Hunger and Disease.

London, March 14.—Lady Sarah Wilson wires the Daily Mail from Mafeking under date of March 6 (by native runner to Lobat, March 9), as follows:

"On Saturday, March 3, the Boers furiously bombarded the brick fields and trenches, about a mile from the town, for three hours, killing one and wounding two colonials.

"On Monday, March 5, they made a determined attack. Owing to a misunderstanding the colonials evacuated the foremost trenches. These the Boers occupied, but reserves were called upon and the trenches were re-captured with a rush. We had no casualties.

"The Boers continue very active, and it taxes Col. Baden-Powell and the garrison very heavily to prevent them from encroaching on our lines. Since Commandant Snyman has returned from the north the siege has been prosecuted with renewed vigor.

"Dynamite explosions were heard during the last two days of February. The Boers have been blowing up sections of the Northern railway, showing that they fear the approach of Col. Plumer's column.

"The new five-inch gun made here has proved very satisfactory and accurate.

"Col. Baden-Powell warned Commandant Snyman that unless he disbanded and disarmed the native levies filling the Boer forward trench by March 3 he (Baden-Powell) would no longer be responsible for restraining Chief Linchwe, in the Sequani district. Commandant Snyman declines to disband them."

Capetown, March 13.—Col. Plumer occupied Lobatsi without opposition on March 5. The Boers had retired the previous day. The railway is damaged, but it can be easily repaired. Lobatski is 57 miles from Mafeking.

London, March 13.—A number of cablegrams have been received from Mafeking to-day, including one to a Birmingham firm telling it to ship goods immediately, thus indicating the speedy relief of the place.

A despatch to the Times from Mafeking, dated Monday, 5th, says the garrison at that place is feeling acutely the stress of the siege. They are reduced to the use of horse flesh and bread made from horse forage, while the water is parisitically contaminated.

Typhoid, dysentery and diphtheria are epidemic, but it is impossible to isolate the victims. The sufferings of the women and children are terrible, and there are deaths in the women's laager daily. The natives are starving.

"The military operations progress favorably. They have been extended to the brick fields, where the enemy has been completely expelled.

London, March 13.—Midnight.—In the lobbies of the House of Commons rumors that Mafeking had been relieved were in circulation this evening, but they still lack confirmation.

SALISBURY'S TONE APPROVED.

English Press United in Declaring for British Sovereignity Over the Republics.

London, March 14.—Discussing Lord Salisbury's reply to the Boer Presidents most of the papers express sentiments similar to those of the Times. The Standard says: "It is hard to treat with any seriousness an appeal which ignores the palpable realities of the situation. So far as it is meant for diplomatic use abroad, the appeal is a sheer waste of labor. Knowing our views the diplomats of both hemispheres, will respect them."

The Daily News says: "Lord Salisbury puts his decision on the right grounds. No other answer could be expected. The duty of the Liberal party will be to use its influence in the direction of temperying future British sovereignty with the largest measure of local autonomy consistent with the securities for inter-state peace and equal laws and liberties."

EXODUS OF LEADERS.

Pioneers of Fugitive Boer Rulers Set Sail For Europe.

London, March 14.—According to a despatch to the Times from Lorenzo Marques, dated March 13, Mr. Fischer, the Orange Free State secretary, Mr. Wessels, chairman of the Orange Free State raad, and Mr. Wolmarans, of the Transvaal executive council, were to leave for Europe that day by a German steamer.

Independence Forfeited.

Salisbury So Intimates in His Answer to Boer Republics.

New Hint That Johannesburg May Be Destroyed—Powers Stand Aloof.

London, March 13.—In the House of Lords to-day the Premier, Lord Salisbury, read the telegrams from Presidents Kruger and Steyn and the British government's reply, in which the concluding sentence is as follows: "Her Majesty's government can only answer your honors' telegram by saying it is not prepared to assent to the independence of either the South African Republic or the Orange Free State." The reading of this sentence elicited prolonged cheers.

Mr. Henry Labouchere, protested against Lord Salisbury's reply. It was, he said, not only a crime but a blunder. The terms of peace which were proposed were an iniquity and a disgrace to Great Britain. Turkey, he declared, might just as well have insisted upon blotting out Greece as an independent country. Greece insulted Turkey and compelled her to go to war.

Mr. Thomas Gibson Bowles, Conservative, remarked that the last telegram from Presidents Kruger and Steyn was even more insulting than the one which began the war.

TO WRECK JOHANNESBURG.

New York, March 13.—Montagu White, in a signed Washington telegram to the World, says: "I have already expressed the desirability of a friendly neutral, preferably the United States, mediating in order to bring this deplorable South African tragedy to a peaceful termination. It is absolutely indispensible that a third power should be a party to a settlement, in order to give a basis of permanency thereto. There is also the danger of the destruction of Johannesburg, which will involve the loss of $150,000,000, or the entire amount of the British war loan. This, I imagine, will be a strategic necessity, as the Boers could not defend it, nor could they allow it to remain as a base for military operations against Pretoria."

AN ECCENTRIC DOCUMENT.

The London correspondent of the World says he learns on good authority that the appeal sent last Saturday to England by Kruger was remarkable in both manner and matter. The language of the document fairly pulsates with religious fervor, and the appeal for peace is made in solemn phrases, such as "in the name of the Triune God."

It is not improbable that the ministers are awaiting the occupation of Bloemfontein before stating the conditions under which proposals for peace will be considered, and their declarations of a policy, when published, is more likely to describe the conditions under which peace cannot be made than it is to formulate a basis for a settlement of the South African complications.

FRANCE HOLDS ALOOF.

Paris, March 13.—A representative of the Associated Press has secured from a responsible mouthpiece of the French government the following exposition of France's attitude in the matter of intervention in the Anglo-Transvaal war, which is said have been solicited by Kruger. The official in question said: "We believe it is true the Transvaal has sent a request to the powers for their intervention, though up to this morning Kruger's message has not reached us. As far as France is concerned, she certainly will not take the initiative in offering England mediation, nor will Russia, for the dual alliance is naturally working together in this question. We feel that in the present excited state of public feeling in England, and especially as regards ourselves, any step taken by the French government would defeat its own object, and instead of opening a way to peace, would act as oil on the flames and create fresh complications. We consider that overtures for mediation can emanate from some power whose relations with England prevent such suggestion being construed as an unfriendly act. The Emperor of Germany, for instance, might take the initiative, or President McKinley, without fear of friction which stands in the way of any action on our part, and after this is done full reliance can be placed on the unqualified support of France and Russia, whose only desire is to see the end of bloodshed and are eager to lead their good offices in bringing about this end."

Berlin, March 13.—It is semi-officially announced that when the Orange Free State and the Transvaal addressed to a number of the larger and small states a request for friendly mediation, the German government replied that it would willingly participate, provided the essential condition of such mediation were present, namely the certainty that both belligerents desired it.

PRIZE COURT DECISION

Capetown, March 13.—The verdict of the prize court in the case of the British steamer Mashona, Capt. Johnson, which sailed from New York November 3 via St. Vincent November 16 for Delogoa Bay, laden with flour for the Transvaal, and which was captured December 8 by the British gunboat Partridge and released under bonds January 5, the foodstuffs subsequently being released under the same arrangement, is that portions of the cargo of the steamer are condemned and that the vessel herself is to be formally released.

BRABANT IN FREE STATE.

Scene of His Fighting Shifted From Cape Colony—Barkley East in British Hands.

Aliwal North, Cape Colony (by courier to Burghersdorp, via Stormberg Junction), Tuesday, March 13.—Gen. Brabant's forces arrived here Sunday. The Boers had retired the previous night, taking up a position four miles beyond the Orange river, where Gen. Brabant attacked and drove them back, occupying the position after a sharp engagement.

Herscheil, Cape Colony, March 13.—The Cape Mounted Police have reoccupied Barkley East.

KRUGER DISGUSTED.

His Burghers Turn From Their Path to Become Cattle Raiders.

Durban, March 13.—A Free Stater whose house President Kruger occupied during the Boer flight from Osfontein, said he complained to the President about the depredations of the Transvaalers, whereupon the President said: "No wonder we are beaten. The burghers entered into the war to fight for a righteous cause, but now they have developed into horse and cattle stealers."

French Surveys Bloemfontein

After Considerable Opposition Seizes Two Hills Commanding Railway Station.

Makes Prisoner of President Steyn's Brother--Roberts Closely Following.

London, March 13.—The war office has received the following additional despatches from Lord Roberts:

"Venter's Vleid, March 12.—Our march was again unopposed. We are now about 18 miles from Bloemfontein.

"The cavalry division is astride the railway six miles south of Bloemfontein."

"Venter's Vleid, March 13.—(5:30 a. m.)—I directed Gen. French, if there was time before dark, to seize the railway station at Bloemfontein, and thus secure the rolling stock. At midnight I received a report from him that after considerable opposition he had been able to occupy two hills close to the railway station which command Bloemfontein. A brother of President Steyn has been made prisoner.

"The telegraph line leading northward has been cut and the railway broken up. I am now starting with the third cavalry brigade, which I called up from the Seventh division near Petrusburg yesterday, and formed the infantry to reinforce the cavalry division. The rest of the force will follow as quickly as possible."

Capetown, March 13.—Gen. French has arrived at Bloemfontein.

(An Associated Press note says: "The foregoing despatch may mean that Gen. French has entered Bloemfontein or that he is in the environs, thus merely confirming Lord Roberts' previously reported advices to the war office.")

STRATHCONA'S HORSE.

Montrealers Turned Out in Force in Their Honor Though the Thermometer Was at Zero.

Montreal, March 12.—The parade of Strathcona's Horse here to-day caused complete cessation of business, and the biggest patriotic demonstration since the Queen's Jubilee. Mayor Prefontain had proclaimed a civic half-holiday and the stock and mining exchanges closed at noon. All the big commercial firms shut up at the same time, and the evening newspapers, French and English, came out early in order to give employees a glimpse at Canada's latest contribution to the Empire. Strathcona's Horse arrived at the Windsor depot of the C. P. R. from Ottawa about 3 o'clock, and immediately formed for a parade on foot through the city. The route was by Windsor street, St. Catharines, St. Denis, Bonsecours, Notre Dame, St. Lambert Hill, St. James street, through Victoria square to Beaver Hall Hill, and by Dorchester street to the Windsor hotel, where luncheon was served at about 5 o'clock. The sun was out and the weather clear, but the thermometer down around zero. In spite of this the streets were thronged for two hours by people anxious to see the parade. All along the route there was a great display of flags and bunting.

A Star cable says: "Strathcona is receiving a number of mordial messages from all parts of the Dominion on the occasion of the departure of the Strathcona Horse. To-day's batch include those of the board of trade and corn exchange of Montreal. Strathcona himself is much better, attending regularly to business. He has lost his pleurisy, but a touch of cold still clings to him. He hopes to visit Canada within two months."

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Twelve Miles of March to Bloemfontein Contested by Boer Rear Guard.

White Flag Lures Small Party to Death--Cruel Wounds by Expanding Bullets.

Dreifontein, Grange Free State, Sunday, March 11.—Gen. Roberts' advance here yesterday across the scorching plains from Poplar Grove was marked by the most severe day's engagement since crossing the Modder river. Broadwood's cavalry brigade advancing on Bloemfontein unexpectedly found the Boers in a strong position in the Dreifontein kopjes. The Boers maintained a stubborn rear guard action along a running front of twelve miles on very difficult ground. The British were advancing in three columns. Gen. Tucker, to the southward, occupied Petrusberg unopposed. Gen. Kelly-Kenny, after following the river bank, moved in the direction of Abrahams Kraal. At Dreifontein, about eight miles south of Abrahams Kraal, the Boers were found in considerable strength on the ridges connecting several kopjes, where they had mounted guns.

The action began at 8 in the morning with an artillery duel. Gen. French's cavalry and Gen. Porter's brigade supported our guns. The Boer artillery was accurately handled and the British cavalry found a task harder that they had expected. Gen. Broadwood moved six miles southward, trying to find a means to get round, but the Boers followed behind rising ground, and even attempted to outflank him. Meanwhile the Sixth division of infantry, advancing on the Boer left, slowly forced the enemy to retire. Had the infantry been able to move faster the Boers would have been enveloped. The last shot was fired at 7:30 p.m. This morning not a Boer was seen. The prisoners belonged to President Kruger's own commando.

London, March 13.—The Morning Post correspondent at Dreifontein, telegraphing Sunday, says: "The fight throughout was much involved. The enemy evacuated and reoccupied positions, subtly concealing their intentions, and only withdrawing their guns a few minutes frior to impending capture. The guns outranged ours. The naval brigade not arriving in time. The turning movement was begun too late. The enemy attempted with heliograph to lure us to occupy a kopje which they held, but, detecting the deception, we returned."

The opposition met at Dreifontein was somewhat unexpected, the idea being that if there were any resistance it would be at Petrusberg. Profiting by their experience, the Boers were preparing for a British flanking movement, but in extending their position in order to avoid being outflanked, they probably weakened their centre, thus making it possible for the British infantry to carry this with a bayonet charge."

LORD ROBERTS' REPORT.

Londan, March 12.—A despatch to the war office from Lord Roberts dated Dreifontein, March 11, 7:15 a.m., says:

"The enemy opposed us throughout yesterday's march and from their knowledge of the country gave us considerable trouble. Owing, however, to the admirable conduct of the troops, the enemy were unable to prevent us reaching our destination. The brunt of the fighting fell on Gen. Kelly-Kenny's divisions, two battalions of which, the Welsh and Essex, turned the Boers out of two strong positions at the point of the bayonet.

"The Boers suffered heavily, 102 of their dead being left on the ground. We captured about twenty prisoners.

"Among the killed are Captain Eustace, of the Buffs; Captain Lomax, of the Welsh regiment, and Mr. McKartie, a retired Indian officer attached to Kitchener's force.

"Among the wounded are: Buffs—Colonel Hickson, leg, severe; Lieutenant Donald. Welsh regiment—Lieuts. Torkington, Pope, Wimberley. Essex regiment—Captain Broadwood, Lieutenant Pratt. Field artillery—Lieutenant Devenish. Medical corps—Major White, Lieutenant Berne. Australian artillery—Colonel Umphley, abdomen; since died.

"There were 221 men wounded, and about 60 or 70 killed or missing. The wounds are as a rule more serious than usual owing to the expanding bullets which are freely used by the Boers.

"The following telegram has been addressed to their honors, the state presidents of the Orange Free State and the South African Republic:

"'Another instance having occurred of gross abuse of the white flag or the signal of holding up hands in token of surrender, it is my duty to inform you that if such abuse occurs again I shall most reluctantly be compelled to order my troops to disregard the white flag entirely. The instance occurred on a kopje east of Dreifontein Fram yesterday afternoon and was witnessed by some of my own staff officers, as well as myself, and resulted in the wounding of several of my officers and men. A large quantity of explosive bullets of three different kinds was found in Commandant Cronje's laager and this has been the case in every engagement with your honors' troops. Such breaches of the recognized usages of war and of the Geneva convention are a disgrace to any civilized power. A copy of these telegrams has been sent to my government with the request that it will be communicated to all neutral powers.'"

A despatch to the Daily Mail from Avogel Kop, dated Sunday, March 11, says:

"The white flag treachery was personally witnessed at Dreifontein by Lord Roberts, who was looking through a telescope when the Welsh were charging, and saw the Boers hold up their hands, show the flag and drop their guns. He saw an English officer advance to receive their surrender, whereupon a Boer volley was fired and the officer fell."

A large number of Australians were engaged yesterday. The First Australian Horse Brigade, with the Scots Greys, advanced within 800 yards of the Boers under heavy fire.

The New South Wales Mounted Infantry joined in the pursuit of the Boers northward."

When that tired feeling comes over you, drink Jesse Moore "AA" whiskey.

RHODE ISLAND REPUBLICANS.

Providence, R.I., March 13.—The Republican state convention held to-day at Infantry hall was the largest poltical gathering of the sort ever held in this state. The following nominations were made by acclamation: For Governor, Hon. Wm. Gregory, of North Kingston; Lieut.-Governor, Chas. Bean Kimbell, of Providence.

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SIX MEMBERS TO RULE.

Vancouver Labor Leader Figuring on Control of Next Legislature.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, March 13.—Vancouver has not been figuring on the labor element in the forthcoming election. Mr. Watson, the labor leader here, in an interview today said that the labor party would not vote Liberal or Conservative, but the straight labor ticket. They will put three if not four labor candidates in the field in Vancouver, and it is hoped that Mr. Macpherson will be one of them. Mr. Watson said he expected that all the labor unions would vote as one man for their candidates, according to the resolution which was submitted to a referendum vote of the affiliated bodies of the Dominion Trades' Congress, at its last convention at Montreal, to the effect that members of labor unions throughout the Dominion should place their own candidates in the field and not cast in their lot with any party. Mr. Watson said that Mr. Macpherson had told him that he thought he would run on the Cotton ticket, but that Mr. Macpherson may see that he could better serve the cause of labor by running the straight labor ticket.

Mr. Watson says the labor party hope to send six members to the next legislature. If they can do this they will hold the balance of power.

The executive committee of the labor council meets to-night to consider the political situation.

VANCOUVER NEWS NOTES.

Railway Line Clear After Great Slides—Damage by Water—Men Mourn Sergt. Scott.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, March 13.—The bursting of a water pipe about Muir's store, Westminster, did $15,000 worth of damage.

Owing to the prevalence of smallpox in Washington, the health officers would not let Washington dogs come over to the bench show, which, therefore is postponed.

A resolution was passed at the annual meeting of the rowing club expressing sorrow at the death of Sergt. W. I. Scott, of the J.B.A.A., killed in South Africa.

Duncan McPherson was sentenced today to 18 months for burglarizing Petersby's store on Cordova street.

J. Townley, assistant superintendent C.P.R., states that the road will be clear for through traffic to-morrow.

The board of trade to-night elected F. Buscomb president by acclamation, F. F. Burns vice-president, and W. T. Stein secretary. The board decided to endorse the petition of the Atlin board asking the White Pass railway for better facilities. A resolution was passed recommending the federal government to pass an adequate insolvency act. Desired changes in the steamer service between Victoria and Vancouver were referred to a special committee. It was resolved that the B. C. board of trade be courteously asked to change their name, on the ground that the present name is unfair to other boards.

COLOMBIA'S TROUBLE.

Revolution Good For Another Twelvemonth—Officer Decapitates a Soldier.

Kingston, Jamaica, March 13.—The latest news from Colombia is to the effect that the revolution will last for another twelve months, as the government is obstructing the Liberals in every conceivable way and at the same time adding much to its treasury. Business is at a standstill in every part of the republic, and there is very little foodstuffs in the market.

It is reported that on March 4 an officer and a soldier on duty at Carthagena quarrelled, and the former struck off the latter's head with his sword.

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—OF THE—

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FRIDAY, MARCH 16th,

—IN THE—

A. O. F. HALL.

Government Street.

H. DALLAS HELMCKEN,
President.

NOTICE.

Persons desirous of having a copy of the "Wave," illustrating Victoria, sent to their friends or relatives abroad free of charge, may have same so forwarded by sending address or addresses to the undersigned, City Hall.

CHAS. HAYWARD,
Mayor.

Victoria, B. C., March 8th, 1900.

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This Company will not be responsible for any supplies furnished to the Company's steamers except on requisition signed by E. Dickinson, purchasing agent.

F. W. VINCENT, Asst. Mgr.

Victoria, B.C., March 10, 1900.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between us, the undersigned, carrying on business as hotelkeepers at the Hotel Victoria, in the City of Victoria, has been this day dissolved by mutual consent.

All debts owing to the said partnership are to be paid to Edward E. Leason, at the Hotel Victoria aforesaid, and all claims against the said partnership are to be presented to the said Edward E. Leason, by whom the same will be settled.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 8th day of March, A.D. 1900.

J. C. VOSS.
E. E. LEASON.

Witness:
William Duck.

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CASH for acceptable ideas; state if patented. Address The Patent Record, Baltimore, Md. d20

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SWEET PEAS—54 named varieties, 5c. a package, at J. Moss' 99 Quadra St. mr14

FOR SALE—A most desirable and commodious seat on Rockland avenue. Price net, $5,555. Apply C. F. Moore, 1 Taunton street. mr14

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FOR SALE—On the Fraser river, 120 acres land, 5-roomed house, barn, stable, outbuildings, orchard, team horses, harness, wagon, plough and other farming implements. Price $30 per acre; $300 cash, balance on terms extending over long period. Address Box 402 Victoria, B.C. mr8

FOR SALE—An ideal spot for chicken ranch, 1¼ acres cleared and fenced, 3-roomed cottage, chicken house, sundry buildings and well. Cash, $550. Cost $1,200. "G.C.," this office. mr3

FOR SALE—Well built 9-roomed house on Kingston street, with all modern conveniences, and stable, situated on the harbor. Price $4,000, payable $1,500 cash and balance on mortgage at 6 per cent., or $3,800 cash. Two one-storey 5-roomed cottages on Michigan street. Price $900 each. Water front lot on Kingston street, 60x165. Price $1,700.
A. W. MORE & CO., 86 Government St.

FOR SALE—The strong barge Atlas. For particulars apply Wm. Turple, Central Ship Yard. f27

FOR SALE—The steamer Alarm, 34 tons burden, fitted with fine compound engines. For particulars apply Wm. Turpel, Central Shipyard. f20

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LOST OR FOUND.

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LODGES AND SOCIETIES.

SONS OF ENGLAND—Alexandra Lodge A.O.U.W., hall, 2nd and 4th Thursday. J. G. Taylor, secretary.

S. L. Kelly & Co. Estate

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has by order made in the Supreme Court on the 1st March, 1900, been appointed a Trustee in the place of Messrs. R. H. Hall and E. A. Paulline, of the Creditors Trust Deed of 31st October, 1893, made by S. L. Kelly, formerly carrying on business at Victoria, B.C., as a tinsmith, under the name of S. L. Kelly & Co., and that all persons having claims against the above Estate are requested to deliver full particulars of the same duly verified to me on or before the 30th April, 1900, after which date I will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Estate, having regard only to the claims of which I shall then have had notice.

Dated 7th March, 1900.
JAMES SHARP,
Hudson Bay Co., Victoria.

NOTICE is hereby given that we shall apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria at their meeting to be held on the 13th day of June, 1900, for a transfer of the license now held by us to sell spiritous and fermented liquors upon the premises known as the Belmont Saloon, situate on the corner of Government and Humboldt Streets, Victoria, from ourselves to Peter Wolf, of Victoria.

Dated this 13th day of March, 1900.

THOS. FLEWIN,
CHAS. FLEWIN,
JARVIS LONGHURST.
Executors of W. H. Flewin, Deceased.

Witness:
J. P. Walls.

PROPERTIES FOR SALE.

List of Properties by B. C. LAND & INVESTMENT AGENCY.

KINGSTON ST. Two-storey dwelling and lot 60x120, James Bay, for $1000. $300 cash, balance at 6 per cent. Apply 40 Government St. n11

CHATHAM ST. Cottage and double front lot, $1000. $100 cash and balance on time. This is cheaper than paying rent. Apply 40 Government St. n11

PARRY ST. James Bay. Four two-story dwellings, always let, producing $25 per month. Open to offer. Apply 40 Government St. n11

DALLAS ROAD AND MONTREAL ST. Bungalow and small two-storey house in rear, $2500. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

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COLLINSON ST. Running through to Beechy st., ½ lot. 5-roomed cottage $900. $200 cash, balance on time. Apply 40 Government St. n11

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FOURTH ST. 2½ acres. Has been under cultivation. Price $2000. $250 down, balance on time, with interest at 6 per cent. Apply 40 Government St. n11

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DENMAN ISLAND—160 acres containing evidence of coal. $750; terms, apply 40 Government street. n22

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CADBORO BAY ROAD. 3½ acres, near Exhibition Buildings, $1050. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

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GOVERNMENT AND JOHN STREETS—Two lots; fine 2-storey dwelling; large new barn; cheap at $2,750; easy terms, Apply 40 Government street. n28

STRAWBERRY VALE. 42½ acres all fenced, 4 miles from city; principal portion under cultivation. Dwelling, barns, etc. $5000. $500 down, balance on time, interest 6 per cent. Apply 40 Government St. n11

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GOVERNMENT ST. Cor. Pembrook St. Two lots open to offer, sale or lease, on easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

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THE ARM. 1½ acres cleared, water front, fine site for bungalow; electric light, and water pipes running past premises. Whole amount of purchase money may remain on mortgage at 6 per cent. $3000. Apply 40 Government St. n11

SOMENOS DIST. 160 acres. Two miles from Station, $600. Terms, if necessary. Apply 40 Government St. n11

SAHTLAM DIST. 160 acres, near Duncans, 30 acres cleared. Trunk road and never-failing stream runs through property. $1000. Terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

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ESQUIMALT ROAD. 2½ acres cleared and fenced, corner. $3500. Subdivided into town lots, this should sell well. Apply 40 Government St. n11

GORGE ROAD. Four acres and two-story dwelling with all modern conveniences. Fine view. Very suitable home. $12500. Terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

JOHNSON STREET. Below Government, three-storey brick with basement, lot 60x120, easy terms. Price $40,000. All let. Apply 40 Government St.

COR. MENZIES AND NIAGARA STS. One acre, $3500. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St.

$250. Cash and Eight annual payments of $250 each (with interest at 6 per cent.) will buy a dwelling and two lots on Bayn Street. Apply 40 Government St.

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CHATHAM ST. Near Cook Street. Lot 60x120. Cottage, 6 rooms, $1,100. Exceptionally easy terms. Apply 40 Government St.

OUTER WHARF. Three lots, with water frontage. Good location for factory or ship yard, $4,200. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

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2½ ACRES. Near Jubilee Hospital, all cleared ready for plough, $1,500. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St.

$250 CASH and Five annual installments of $500 (with interest at 6 per cent.) will buy two-storey house, with all modern conveniences, and lot 60x100 near Christ church. Apply 40 Government St.

COR. FORT AND VANCOUVER STS. Cottage and Two lots. $6,000, terms. Apply 40 Government St.

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VICTORIA ARM. Twenty acres, fenced and ready for cultivation, orchard, etc., $2,750. Very easy terms. Fine site for chicken ranch and fruit farm. Apply 40 Government St. ja18

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FIFTY DOLLARS CASH and small quarterly payments will purchase a store and dwelling combined at the cor. of Oswego and Coburg streets. Fine opening for a small store. Apply 40 Government St. ja18

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MISCELLANEOUS.

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NOTICE—Victoria Lodge K. of P. will hold its social dance on Thursday next in K. of P. Hall. Invitations issued for 1st March will be good. mr13

SHORTHAND SCHOOL—15 Broad street. Individual instruction in shorthand, typewriting, book-keeping. f27

MRS. J. D. SINCLAIR (Nurse) has removed from 7 Amelia to 131 Fort street, where she will receive maternity and non-infectious cases at her residence. Seattle and San Francisco papers please copy. f18

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TO LET—Well furnished room, with or without board. 141 Fort street. mr14

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TO LET—Six-roomed cottage on Cadboro Bay Road, with about 4 acres of land, 80 fruit trees. Apply S. Branch, near Cadboro Bay school house. mr13

TO RENT—Stevens' Hotel, furnished, with first-class orchard, driving shed, stable and paddock. Apply to Jno. Stevens, on the premises. mr11

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TO LET—Room and board in private family. Mrs. Greig, 117 Menzies street. m4

COMFORTABLE furnished front rooms, with use of kitchen, if required. 139 Michigan street. m1

TO LET—Furnished housekeeping rooms at Elsmere House, 104 Pandora avenue. Apply 97 Quadra street. mr1

Letters to The Editor.

GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP OF RAILWAYS.

Sir: During the political canvass of 1898, at a public meeting held in Esquimalt district, I was asked, if returned, would I favor the provincial government ownership of railways? I immediately replied that I could imagine nothing that was more calculated to drag the province into a state of bankruptcy than the adoption of such a policy. "How about New Zealand?—Government ownership of railways hasn't ruined her!" came the retort, crisp and sharp. I explained to the satisfaction of a majority of my hearers, and to the enlightenment of my questioner, that New Zealand has control of her entire revenues. That her customs duties and other revenues were pledged as security for the payment of interest and sinking fund of a loan raised in London and devoted to the purchase and construction of railways by the government, and that, so far as I knew, the system had proved successful there. Viewed from a Dominion standpoint I favored that policy; but as a Provincial measure I had no hesitation in denouncing the proposition as unworkable, ruinous and Utopian.

The Hon. Mr. Martin has the reputation of being a sagacious politician and a bright legal light and on questions of political economy and constitutional law, when at Winnipeg, he was regarded as an authority. During the two sessions we sat together in the legislature I was impressed with his ready wit, his skill in repartee and his forcible mode of discussing matters, and on several occasions we voted together in the same divisions. Since his acceptance of office, Mr. Martin has issued an address—or as he calls it, "a platform"—to the electors. This platform, while it contains some good, sound planks, contains others that are utterly bad; so rotten, indeed, that I hesitate to think any wise man will take his stand upon them lest he should bring the whole structure about his ears. I propose to deal, to-day, with but one of these defective pieces of timber, the proposition contained in plank 15: "To adopt a system of government construction and operation of railways, and immediately proceed with the construction of a railway on the south side of Fraser river, connecting the Coast with the Kootenay district, with the understanding that unless the other railways now constructed in the province give fair connections, and make equitable joint freight and passenger arrangements, the province will continue this line to the eastern boundary of the province. Proper connection with such Kootenay railway to be given to the Island of Vancouver. With respect to other parts of the province to proceed to give to every portion of it railway connection at as early date as possible, the railway when contructed to be operated by the government through a commission."

If in every other respect Mr. Martin's address appealed to my "better understanding"; if every line save those quoted above sparkled with the brilliancy of a Kobinoor and shone with the brightness of a Day and Martin polish, I should reject the entire policy to prevent the introduction into British Columbia politics of a scheme which, if adopted, will bring the country to a condition of ruin, despair and financial disgrace. The address reminds me of a foolish man who, having built a handsome home, applies the torch to it. Whatever good there is in the address is entirely neutralized by plank 15, and the policy and its author must be repudiated in the interest of the country. Has the Premier calculated the cost of building a line of railway from the Coast to the eastern boundary of the province? Has he a clear idea of where the revenue to meet interest and other charges will be found? Can he offer English money-lenders security on any source of revenue except that derived from direct taxation? Is he aware that the Dominion government in 1882 constructed the section from Yale to Savons Ferry as a government road, and that it was afterwards glad to turn the section over to the C. P. railway company as a gift, on condition that it would operate it? Does he not know that the Intercolonial railway, which runs through a well-populated country, cost double the original estimate, and that every year for twenty-five years there has been a large deficit? These are among the questions Mr. Martin will have to answer, and I do not think that his answers will be satisfactory to a majority of his hearers. If British Columbia controlled her customs and other revenues the system might be introduced here; but unless we are in a position, as New Zealand was, to buy out existing lines and build others, instead of doing, as Mr. Martin proposes, build and operate competing lines, the project must surely end in disaster. Imagine the provincial government paralleling the C.P. railway to the eastern boundary and without eastern connections consigning freight and passengers at the boundary to the mercy of the C.P.R. Think of what a draft must be made on our already inadequate revenue, derived from direct taxation, to meet interest on the loan required to build the road, and the annual deficit caused by competition with a railway heavily subsidized by the Dominion government and owning one of the best equipped lines in the world. How long would provincial competition last against such an organization? and how long would it be before the provincial line would be only represented by two streaks of rust, extending from Vancouver to Donald?

At present taxation is admittedly low in the province. Mines and capital are but lightly touched; household and office furniture are not taxed at all; farming lands are not over-valued by the assessor. If Mr. Martin's policy is adopted all capital invested, all improvements, every head of live stock, all household furniture and goods in stock, every mine (whether paying dividends or not), every promissory note, every bank check, every invoice, must pay a tax of some kind to the provincial government. There will be no escape for any person or interest. All must contribute towards meeting the awful expenditure.

The distance from Point Roberts to Penticton is 330 miles. The estimated average cost per mile made by the engineers of the V. V. & E. road was $40,000, which would bring the total expenditure for construction to $13,200,000. The mileage from Vancouver to the eastern boundary is 621, the cost of which at $40,000 per mile would be $24,840,000. Neither of these estimates includes rolling stock, which would probably amount to $2,000,000 more for the government road. In addition to this expenditure, every imported article required in construction would have to pay the Dominion customs duties; there would be a tremendous shave by London brokers for underwriting a loan with such precarious and uncertain security, if it could be floated at all, which I much doubt. Experience has shown that government roads are never operated as cheaply as company roads, and it will scarcely be contended that Mr. Martin's road can be operated as cheaply as the C. P. R. Imagine the provincial railway running side by side with the C. P. R. and cutting rates to the eastern boundary.

In the address expenditures on public improvements, schools, railways, bridges, cash bonuses to railways, etc., etc., are foreshadowed, but not a single word is uttered as to where the money to effect these desirable objects is to be found after practically the entire revenue has been swallowed up in building and maintaining government railways. The system of increased taxation to which I have referred will not yield more than sufficient to meet the burden imposed by the adoption of plank 15, because if it were once known abroad that British Columbia is a heavily taxed province, both capital and labor would hesitate to come here, and the ruin of the province would be complete.

D. W. HIGGINS.

(Omitted from yesterday's Colonist.)

MR. BROWN'S POSITION.

Sir: Kindly allow me to make a few statements relative to a telegram from Vancouver, headed "Mr. Brown Refused," printed in the Colonist of Wednesday, and to an editorial article headed "Mr. Brown's Terms," in the Colonist of this morning.

The Colonist of Thursday, March 1, had a paragraph in its news columns in which some absurd assertions were made as to my actions and motives. By my request, the Columbian of the same evening printed a contradiction of those assertions. Except this, I have neither made nor authorized any public statement about what took place between the Lieutenant-Governor and myself, nor do I think I should be justified in making such a statement except self-defence made it necessary.

A delegation of Mr. Martin's Vancouver friends waited upon me last Monday. It was agreed that our discussion was to be considered private and confidential, but I feel at liberty to say that the first sentence in your editorial of this morning is correct. The statement wired you from Vancouver was not accurate.

As to the statements made in your article of this morning, I cannot, of course, testify as to the Lieutenant-Governor's intentions, nor do I wish to discuss them. I have no desire to say a word which could embarrass His Honor. But it appears that some over-zealous friend of the Lieutenant-Governor's, deceived by the telegram sent you from Vancouver into the belief that I had been guilty of making public statements—and inaccurate statements at that—of a private conversation, has, by way of defending the Lieutenant-Governor against my supposed bad faith, furnished you with a pretty little romance about my part of the affair.

It is quite true that I waited upon the Lieutenant-Governor on Tuesday evening of last week; that I had a long conversation with him, and that Mr. Martin came to Government House while I was there, and took part in the discussion. But it is not true that I produced a telegram at that interview, either from New Westminster or any other place; it is not true that the name of Mr. W. W. B. McInnes was mentioned by me or, in my hearing, by the Lieutenant-Governor or Mr. Martin; it is not true that Mr. McInnes was referred to, or that any bargain, arrangement or suggestion referring to him or including him in any way was even hinted at.

Furthermore, when I left Government House at the conclusion of the interview referred to, my decision had been given and my position in the premises was clearly defined. It is true that I called upon the Lieutenant-Governor next day, but I did so simply and only to give him certain information which I had promised to procure.

I trust I shall not be compelled to make any further statements about a matter which is already ancient history. Called to consult with Her Majesty's representative during a political crisis, I took the course which seemed to be dictated by my duty to the province, to my political friends and supporters, and to myself. I have the satisfaction of knowing that my friends approve of my action, and there, it seems to me, the matter should rest.

JOHN C. BROWN.

New Westminster, March 8, 1900.

FOR PARTY GOVERNMENT.

Sir: At this juncture in the affairs of this province it is wise to consider what will be the outcome of so many political parties going to the polls. We have Mr. Martin, who has been styled the leader of the Liberals by some; Mr. Curtis, the leaven of the no-party-lines party; and it is proposed that there shall be a nondescript party made up of Liberals and Conservatives. Out of this chaos what can be expected? Nother but further turmoil and the exercise of the prerogative and again an appeal to the country. My advice is that there be no hesitation amongst the Conservatives. We have long before this crisis declared our intention, and let us keep to it. Let the issue be a Conservative government, as against the Hon. Joseph Martin, and the same as against Mr. Carter-Cotton and his associates. The evil that the Semlin-Martin government and the Semlin-Cotton government wrought has been such that neither Mr. Martin nor Mr. Cotton can be further trusted with the administration of the affairs of the country. The Lieutenant-Governor has acted within his powers, however unwisely, and the representatives of the people have said in effect unwisely, but it is a question that now rests with the people. Should the result of the elections be against Mr. Martin, let it not be possible for the Lieutenant-Governor to further exercise the prerogative. Make it obligatory on him to call in the leaders of the strongest opposition to the Martin government and to all other combinations, a party that will be arranged for good government on sound Conservative principles, and let there be an end to all other forms of government subservient to corporations and other influences. Capital and labor, as a matter of fact, need not fear either Liberal or Conservative rule; but as the Conservatives were first in the field, and the declared Liberal standard leaves it not to the liking of many Liberals, although their votes are not absolutely necessary, I say cast them with us this once, and let us obtain stable government, and let us have prosperity.

A. E. McPHILLIPS.

CRAIGFLOWER ROAD.

Sir: I note again your correspondent in local items of Sunday, with his usual inaccuracy, notes that a stable placed on a propetry in Victoria West about which there is some dispute was destroyed in honor of the relief and victory at Ladysmith.

It might be as well to point out the true fact, both with regard to this and the dispute. It is cear that there are parties residing in Victoria West who because they do not get their own way in defiance of all law and order are ready to inaugurate a reign of anarchy and disaster, which is alike ruinous to themselves and their district. What are we to say when a number of individuals assemble by night and destroy property, fences and a barn, and then in the absence of police protection encourage the children to burn up the ruin by day, and crown their honorable actions by telling your reporter this was done in honor of the relief of Ladysmith. Now for the dispute.

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OBSERVER.

When a boy turns his bulging pocket inside out we marvel at the quantity and variety of articles he has stowed away. Odd lengths of string, marbles, a horse-chestnut, a top, brass nails, hickory-nuts, an apple, and many more articles are garnered by this "snapper up of unconsidered trifles." We think the collection must be hard on the boy's pocket. And it is. But do we ever think of the variety and miscellany of the substances we put into the pocket of our stomach? There's the apple and the nuts, and things besides quite as indigestible as brass nails and with no more food value than so many marbles. And yet we wonder that the stomach "gives out." When the stomach breaks down under the strain of careless eating and irregular meals it can be perfectly and permanently restored to health and strength by the use of Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. The action of this medicine on the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition is so marked, that relief from disease is at once experienced, and the headache, liver "troubles," kidney disorders, skin eruptions and other symptoms of a diseased stomach are quickly cured. Whenever the use of a laxative medicine is indicated ,use Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. They act in harmony with the "Discovery" and assist its action by purging the bowels of foul accumulations.

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WALTER PORTER.

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THE WAR.

There seems to be nothing in the way of the early occupation of Bloemfontein by our forces, and it is possible that despatches received before this issue of the Colonist goes to press may convey intelligence that Gen. French with his reinforced cavalry has entered the town. The Boers have found their favorite tactics of little service. Their plan hitherto has been to entrench themselves and wait for us to attack them, but our troops go around and outflank them. This makes all the difference in the world. Gen. Roberts, after he has taken Bloemfontein, will doubtless follow the enemy northward very closely. He will naturally desire to inflict a crushing blow upon them before they can reach Pretoria. The distance between the two capitals is by rail 291 miles, and it will be strange if the enemy can keep out of his reach for this entire distance. A conspicuous victory for our arms within the next week or so would render the idea of defending Pretoria absolutely futile.

While Roberts is successfully making his way through the centre of the Free State, Brabant has crossed the Orange river at Aliwal North, and having invaded the enemy's territory is driving his foes before him. Organized resistance to the advance of our forces from the south must be very nearly at an end, especially as French was in control of the railway yesterday.

The effort of Kruger and Steyn to secure the intervention of the powers having failed, it is not improbable that the war may be brought to a close without any further serious fighting. Kruger will hardly think it worth while to continue a struggle, which can possibly have only one end, and if not arrested very soon will lead to incalculable disaster.

AN UNSATISFACTORY REPLY.

The delegation of business men, who waited upon the Lieutenant-Governor yesterday, received very little satisfaction—that is, if we may judge from what is reported of the interview. No member of the press was present, but it is understood that the merchants represented to His Honor the imperative necessity from a business point of view that political conditions should be settled at the earliest possible day, and they therefore urged that the election should be brought on at the soonest date practicable. His Honor's reply was to the effect that the prorogation speech contained the statement that a session would be held before the close of the fiscal year, and he had no reason to think that this intention had been abandoned. He asked the delegation to put their views in writing.

Doubtless the Lieutenant-Governor believes that the promise of the prorogation speech will be kept; but he is the only person in British Columbia who thinks so. Mr. Martin deals more frankly with the public than he does with the Lieutenant-Governor, for he states to any one who asks him that he does not propose that the elections shall be held until after the May revision, and if this is the case it is a physical impossibility for them to take place in time to have the house called together in June. In reckoning time in this matter the outermost districts of the province must rule, since all the elections must be held on the same day. These districts are Atlin, Glenora and Barkerville. Everything must be regulated so as to give time to communicate to and from these distant points by mail. The revision takes place on May 7. Therefore May 8 is the first day on which the revised lists can be sent in. After the lists arrive they must be printed. Mr. D. W. Higgins estimates that six weeks would be necessary to get the lists in and have them printed. Even if by great good luck this time is reduced to four weeks, it would be impossible to hold the elections and get the house together in June. The lists must be sent to the returning officers after they have been printed, and it would be taking great chances to allow less than two weeks for this. Therefore even if the writs for the election are issued before the new lists are made out, the government will not dare fix the date of nomination earlier than six or eight weeks after May 8, and the election must be fourteen clear days later. This brings us to eight or ten weeks after May 8, or into July, before the elections can be held. The returns will not all be in for at least ten days, and more probably two weeks, and the house will hardly be called together on less than two weeks' notice. Therefore, allowing everything that can be claimed in the way of making one proceeding overlap the other, and reducing the time limit below what Mr. Higgins has given as a reasonable estimate, it is impossible, even if Mr. Martin succeeds, to have the house in session before some time in August, while if he is defeated and a new ministry is formed, the house cannot be got together before September.

In view of these facts, the Lieutenant-Governor will see that it is utterly impossible for the promise of the prorogation speech to be kept if the voting is to take place on the May revision. If His Honor will look into this matter for himself, he will see that he has an excellent reason for asking Mr. Martin for his resignation.

AN EARLY ELECTION.

That the business interests of the province demand an election at the earliest possible day is conceded. Strong pressure is being brought to bear upon the Lieutenant-Governor to induce him to insist that such an election shall be called. It is understood that Mr. Martin desires to postpone the election until some time in the summer. This effect of such a postponement will be very serious and almost calamitous. This is the business man's view of the case, and it is simply unanswerable.

The representations that have been made to the Lieutenant-Governor on this head will be largely offset by the efforts made to make the forthcoming contest a test of the strength of political parties in the federal arena. We concede that this ought not to be the case; but in politics we have to deal with what is, not with what ought to be. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Senator Mills both declared in parliament that the Lieutenant-Governor had taken his official life in his hands by precipitating the crisis in this province, and we can understand very readily how the Lieutenant-Governor will hail with delight each step which the Conservative party makes in the direction of party lines. He sees the issue in the contest changing from one in which he may in a certain event feel the full effect of the displeasure of the Ottawa government, to one in which he will appear as the champion of the Liberal party. It is true that this will be a strange prostitution of the position of lieutenant-governor, but we are living in strange times.

Thus the righteous demand for an early election is, as a matter of practical politics, weakened by the demand of many Conservatives that the battle, when it does come on, shall be upon federal party lines. If this course is taken, what will become of the contention that it is the Martin policy of which we stand in dread? We are surely not going into this contest blind to the possibility that we may be defeated. Do those Conservatives who would make federal issues supreme, wish to be understood that if we cannot get control of this province as a federal party, they are content that Mr. Martin shall have control and work his own sweet will for the next four years? Will some of them answer this simple question? The country is asking for something else than a trial of strength between Conservatives and Liberals. It asks for a return of good government.

What the Colonist wants to see is an early election at which all those who stand for good government and the restoration of political conditions which will make progress and prosperity possible, and for the removal from our public life of Mr. Martin and the revolutionary ideas which he espouses, shall stand side by side. It is not yet too late to effect such co-operation.

THE COLUMBIAN CORRECTED.

The following extract from the Columbian contains as much misrepresentation as can be compressed into the same number of words:

Mr. Martin has shown himself to be an unprincipled and dangerous politician in other ways than by his betrayal of redistribution. Contrary to his professions and record, while a member of the late government, as a champion of the interests and safety of the coal miners against Mr. Dunsmuir's company, which has persisted in employing Chinese underground. Mr. Martin, not only made a temporary alliance with Mr. Dunsmuir, at the first of the late session, to defeat the Semlin government—which might have been excused as a piece of "practical politics"—but continued the alliance, since the defeat of the government, and had arrangements made for taking Mr. Dunsmuir into his cabinet, when that gentleman, and the Colonist newspaper, which he controls, and which had been, evidently, trimming to support Mr. Martin, suddenly "shied," for some reason.

Our contemporary has a positive genius for concentrated distortion of facts It is a pity that so much talent is devoted to such base uses.

The reference to Mr. Dunsmuir and the coal miners is quite uncalled for in the connection in which it is made, and it is utterly false so far as it implies that the relations between Mr. Dunsmuir and the coal miners are anything else than friendly, or that the mines under his supervision are not among the safest and best managed in the world. It may be true that some people, not connected with the Dunsmuir mines, would like to say how they shall be run, and also that a part of the policy of the Semlin government may have been, as the Columbian implies, to permit them to do so; but it is not necessary to discuss this now. The Semlin government has met the fate deserved by all ministries, which subordinate the public welfare to personal ends.

In regard to the political relations between Mr. Dunsmuir and Mr. Martin there is not much to be said. What those relations were was explained in the clearest possible way on the floor of the house. There was a compact made by Mr. Dunsmuir on behalf of the political party with which he was associated and Mr. Martin on his own behalf that the latter should act with that party in defeating the Semlin government. This compact was faithfully kept. It is not true that there was any alliance between Mr. Dunsmuir and Mr. Martin after the defeat of the Semlin government or that Mr. Dunsmuir ever contemplated entering Mr. Martin's cabinet.

As to the Colonist, its record speaks for itself, but in order to challenge the closest criticism we briefly refer to its attitude during the recent crisis. By "crisis" we mean the period between the dismissal of the Semlin government and the announcement of Mr. Martin that he has secured two colleagues. Mr. Martin stated in the house on Tuesday that he had been asked by the Lieutenant-Governor to form a ministry, but had not been sworn in. The Colonist had on Tuesday morning reiterated its belief that a government could be and ought to be formed out of the house as it then stood, and pending any other announcement than the above from Mr. Martin it felt further comment to be unnecessary. On Wednesday Mr. Martin had made no progress in forming a cabinet, so far as the Colonist or the public knew, and in the hope that he would fail to do so, and thus leave the field free for its own political friends, the Colonist decided to print on Thursday and did print a leading editorial outlining the general scheme upon which the administration of affairs ought to be carried on. Late on Wednesday night Mr. Martin informed the Colonist that he had secured two colleagues and gave an epitome of the policy which he intended to follow. It was then too late to do anything more than declare that the Colonist must not be understood as endorsing Mr. Martin's platform and promise to deal with it later. On the following day, which was the first day after Mr. Martin had taken any step to form a cabinet, the Colonist declared itself in opposition.

The above is a literally correct statement of all the facts connected with this matter, except that the Colonist knew at all times after Mr. Martin had been called upon to form a government that Mr. Dunsmuir would not take a seat in his cabinet. Mr. Dunsmuir so stated after the adjournment on Tuesday. The Colonist might have made a personal attack upon Mr. Martin on Wednesday, but such an attack, coming after two months of political co-operation with him for the defeat of the Semlin government, would have been indecent as well as very poor politics in view of the fact that it was not known until late on Wednesday night that Mr. Martin would not have to abandon his task. In conclusion we have only to say that if people would give others credit for a little honesty of purpose, and, possibly, exhibit a little more of it themselves, politics would be a cleaner and better business.

Roberts will now proceed to put "another little patch of red" on the map of Africa.

Was there ever a more uninteresting session of parliament than that now in progress at Ottawa?

We will be very glad to print "British Columbian's" letter on "The Political Cauldron" if he will send in his card.

If our neighbors do not hurry and get a move on themselves, we will have finished our war long before they have concluded theirs.

Mr. Sorby does not seem to be making much headway with his scheme. It cannot be charged that he has not been sufficiently industrious.

Victoria suffered terribly from the sanitary quarantine put on in smallpox days, and years were needed to undo the injury. The province will suffer equally as bad from the financial quarantine that will be put on if Mr. Martin and his political heresies are endorsed at the polls.

A prominent public man expressed great regret that our correspondent, "Merchant," whose letter appeared in Sunday's Colonist, had not signed his name to it. He said that the correspondent voiced his views exactly, and he believed those of the majority of the community.

The despatch from Ottawa to the effect that in future railway subsidies provision will be made for a standard rate of wages for employees, indicates that some more subsidies are to be forthcoming, and this in its turn indicates that a general election may not be very far off in Dominion as well as in Provincial matters.

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GOVERNORS CONTRASTED.

From the Nelson Miner.

Down in Newfoundland the Governor insists that his next would-be Premier must guarantee his ministry a clear majority of the assembly, otherwise some one else must be called in. Out at Victoria the Governor takes special pains to select the one man in the Legislature who has neither friends nor followers, and sends him out to form a government, with the promise of giving him a free hand to try his luck at the polls. More opposite principles it would be impossible to conceive.

A PATRIOTIC TASK.

From the Toronto Mail and Empire.

Joe Martin did not lead the Opposition in British Columbia. On the contrary, he was a third party leading himself. Yet Governor McInnes called upon him to form a government. Matters in the Pacific province are very much mixed. That a Martin government will straighten them out is altogether improbable. Mr. Martin is not popular, and a general election will produce a legislature of factions." That is the danger, although just at present it is thought that all the other factions will unite in the patriotic task of annihilating Mr. Martin.

ALIEN EXCLUSION LAWS.

From the Nelson Tribune.

When the Semlin government excluded aliens from staking placer claims in the Atlin district, the United States government lodged a protest with the Ottawa authorities. The Laurier government heeded the protest and brought such pressure to bear upon the Semlin government that the objectionable statute was repealed. It could not be shown that the American miners had any rights in the premises which were infringed upon; but the mere fact that they wished to take up placer ground in British Columbia was sufficient to cause the Laurier government to take exception to the legislation. Now the boot is on the other foot. The United States government has so framed things that Canadian vessels will not be able to engage in the carrying trade to Cape Nome, which they had figured on. The Canadians have just the same ground for complaint that the American miners had in Atlin; but is there anyone in Canada who imagines that, by filing a protest in Washington, the United States government will amend its regulations to suit the Canadians? When will the government at Ottawa cease throwing up both hands every time they get a protest from Washington?

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Grand Lodge.—The annual session of the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W. will open in the society's hall, Yates street, at ten this morning. A large number of delegates arrived last evening to attend.

Red, White and Blue Conversazione.—This entertainment will be held at the Reformed Episcopal school room tonight, commencing at 8:15 o'clock. Admission, 25 cents; refreshments provided. *

Quiet in Police Circles.—No cases came up for hearing before Magistrate Hall yesterday morning. The city is remarkably free from crime and misdemeanors of all sorts at the present time.

Just arrived, a consignment of new monuments, headstones and tablets, finished as only skill and experience can do it. Can have their order filled to their entire satisfaction at popular prices if placed with J. E. Phillips, 76 View st.

Rose trees, sixty varieties; Clematis, eight; Wistarias, two; Variagated Hollies, three, guaranteed berry bearing; all strong roots. Also cabbage plants. Now ready at Johnston's Seed Store, 11 City Market. *

Complete Board.—Ald. Brydon's resignation of his appointment as licensing commissioner has been accepted and Ald. Stewart appointed in his stead. The latter alderman is therefore both a police and licensing commissioner. The first meeting of the new licensing board will be held to-day. There are ten applications for transfers and one for a temporary permit.

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Victoria West Athletes.—The concert held in Semple's hall last evening was fairly well attended, and an excellent programme was rendered to an appreciative audience, each piece being encored. Rev. W. D. Barber, acting as chairman, reviewed the work that has been done by the members of the V. W. A. A., and read a statement of their financial standing. Proceeds from first concert netted $40; concert and supper by the ladies of Victoria West, $75; money promised, $190; promised money collected, $90. A lot has been decided on, and will be purchased shortly.

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C. C. REVANS.

Annual Meeting.—The Victoria branch of the British and Foreign Bible Society will hold their annual meeting in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church to-morrow evening.

McLean-Munn.—Murdoch McLean and Miss Martha Munn, of Paisley, Ont., late of Portage la Prairie, were married on Monday evening at the residence of Dr. Mary McNeill. Rev. J. G. Hastings, M.A., officiated.

Meet on Friday.—An adjourned meeting of the Liberal-Conservative Association is to be held at 8 o'clock on Friday evening at the A. O. F. hall, on Government street.

Dow Gets One Year.—Ah Dow, on the charge of assaulting with intent to rob Mrs. Rahy on the Saanich road, was granted a speedy trial yesterday before Mr. Justice Drake, and was sentenced to one year's imprisonment with hard labor.

Return Thanks.—The sisters in charge of the Protectorate wish to acknowledge the receipt of $25, the proceeds of an entertainment given for the benefit of the home and thank Mrs. Bridges and those who kindly assisted her.

Tenth Anniversary.—The congregation of St. Paul's Presbyterian church, Victoria West, will celebrate the tenth anniversary of their organization by a sacred concert in the church on Monday evening, the 26th instant.

Bird vs. Borland.—In Chambers before Mr. Justice Drake yesterday morning the defendants in the case of Bird et al vs. Veith & Borland applied for an adjournment until June and for a commission to issue for the examination in Dawson of A. C. Knight. Judgment was reserved.

Mock Parliament.—Officers will be elected at the meeting of the Mock Parliament of the Centennial Methodist church this evening. A bill will be introduced providing for the government contract for the manufacture and sale of liquors, after the manner of the Gottenlieb system in vogue in Norway and Sweden.

First a Success.—The Halcyon Club, a recently organized association of young men in this city, held their first social Monday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Morse, Dallas road. A very enjoyable time was spent by those present, dancing and games being indulged in until a late hour, when the guests sat down to a sumptuous supper.

Store Burglarized.—When Mr. W. Bownass, the Government street hardware dealer opened his store yesterday morning he found that burglars had been there before him, helping themselves to $60 in cash and a lot of articles. Entrance was gained by cutting a panel out of the back door, which is reached through a vacant lot from Langley street.

Shacks Must Go.—There has been a great clearing out of old shacks in Victoria during the last few months and the work is still going on. Some are coming down by order of the sanitary authorities and others through the desire of the owners to erect better buildings. Yesterday workmen commenced tearing down the old Teutonia saloon on Government street to make room for Dr. Frank Hall's new building, and the shacks at the corner of Broad and View streets, where Mr. P. C. MacGregor is about to build. There are still a few more buildings condemned last year, whose time of grace has about expired.

A Political Meeting.—Some gentlemen, who think there ought to be a discussion of the political situation from the point of view of the business community, and not from that of either of the federal parties, have secured the use of the Philharmonic hall for Thursday evening, and the public generally are invited to be present and hear the issues of the day discussed. The meeting is called in the interests of no individual or individuals or of any political party, but simply that there may be a full and free expression of opinion as to what is best to be done to prevent the province from being set back by the success of the Martin policy.

PATRIOTIC CONVERSAZIONE.

Programme for This Evening's Entertainment in the R. E. Church.

The interior of the R. E. school room presents a scene of patriotic interest in preparation for the Red, White and Blue conversazione this evening. A really artistic effect has been produced, the stage being draped on either side with the Royal Standard, palms interspersed. The body of the room is hung with flags of every size and decorated with gay bunting and Chinese lanterns. The refreshment table must not be overlooked. Besides its burden of good things, there are blue scillas and white crocuses in masses combined with red. Suspended over all are Chinese lanterns, to which climb delicate trails of white ivy. Following is the complete programme:

Piano duet .....The Misses Wilson
Solo—"Three Cheers for the Red, White and Blue" .....Major Ross Monro
Bayonet exercises .....Sergts. Wilson and Dickinson
Reading .....Dr. Wilson
Duet (Piano and Castanets) .....
Vocal Duet—"Little Patch of Red" .....The Misses Lugrin
Pianoforte Solo .....Miss Christie
Recitation—"How Bill Adams Won the Battle of Waterloo" ...Mr. G. Phillips
Exhibition of sword play....Major Hibben
Violin Solo .....Dr. Nash
Solo .....Mrs. Helmcken
Tableau—Scene in the camp at Belmont, with solo.....
"Soldiers of the Queen". Mr. T. H. Laundy
"God Save the Queen."

Cape Nome.—The newspapers are loud in their praise of the above place, and as a money-maker it is no doubt good; how to make money in victoria is the thing; you can save money by buying your books and stationery from the victoria news co., 86 yates street, r. t. williams, manager.

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Early Election Is Promised

Governor Expects That There Will Be Session Before End of Fiscal Year.

Premier Martin Adds That There Will Be No Trouble About It,

A delegation composed of eighteen of the leading business men of the city yesterday called upon Lieutenant-Governor McInnes to represent to him the imperative necessity of an election being brought on at the earliest possible day, to bring to an end the present unsatisfactory condition in political circles, which is causing much uneasiness, particularly in Kootenay. The question was enlarged upon by the gentlemen present.

His Honor replied that in the speech from the throne at the prorogation of the legislature it was stated that another session would be held before the close of the fiscal year, and he had no reason to believe that this would be departed from. He asked the business men to present their request in writing, which they will do to-day.

There are many who contend that it will be impossible to have a session of the legislature before June 30, but Premier Martin stated last evening that there would be no difficulty about that. The new government had not been able to remedy all the damage done by the Semlin-Cotton government, who wasted two months, and it would take some time to straighten out the "unholy mess" in which they had left things. However, there would be a dissolution of the legislature and election at the earliest possible day. It was necessary to give the people time to choose their candidates, so that something would result from the election.

As to the completion of the cabinet, Mr. Martin said there was nothing new.

PERSONAL.

John Fannin, provincial curator, is out again.

Frank Durand and wife, of Montreal, are guests at the Driard.

W. A. de Wolf Smith, of New Westminster, is at the Driard.

John Hilbert and wife, of Nanaimo, are guests at the Dominion.

W. H. Cowper returned last evening from a visit to Ladners Landing.

The members of the "Toll Gate Inn" Co. were guests at the Victoria yesterday.

D. E. Weber, F. L. Budlong, R. H. Macaulay and A. E. Lees, of Vancouver; H. Ferguson, of Port Haney, and T. W. Kerr, of Ladners, are at the Dominion.

Mrs. H. O. Allen, of Queen's College, London, has taken up her residence in this city, and will open a series of art classes, of which due notice will be given through the Colonist.

A cablegram received by Mr. H. Dallas Helmcken, M.P.P., yesterday, announces the safe arrival in Paris of Mrs. Helmcken and the Misses Goodwin.

E. Skinner, of the N. W. M. P., who has been on service in the Skeena river and R. P. Clark, of the government service at Dawson, are at the Dominion. They came down to Port Townsend on the Farallon and came over on the Victorian yesterday.

E. A. Wood, Geo. Adams and H. Hoy, of New Westminster; J. H. Garden, F. W. Welsh, C. A. Bell and P. Wallace, of Vancouver, delegates to the meeting of the Grand lodge, A. O. U. W., are at the Victoria.

WITH GENERAL CARGO.

The Kvarven, Now En Route For Victoria, Will Probably Load Lumber For China.

According to mail advices from the Old Country, the fine Norwegian steamship Kvarven, replacing the lost Remus, is just about ready to sail with full general cargo for this city. After discharging this, she will probably receive a charter to take Chemainus lumber to the Orient, for which service she is said to be eminently suited. The Kvarven is described as an iron screw steamer of 2,463 tons, built at Sunderland in 1882 and registered x 100 A1 in Lloyd's; her owners are Bergh & Helland, and the vessel is registered in Bergen under the Norwegian flag, her dimensions being 298.8x36.7x23.6 feet.

THE WIDOW'S MITE.

The only son of his mother (she said),
And I a widow. She bowed her head
But a country's need had claimed her dead,
And the soldier's wife had no tears to shed.

She watched the pennons float on high;
The gorgeous pageant passed her by;
They were setting forth to win or die,
And the mother knew it, yet made no cry.

A deadly rattle of shot and shell,
A smoke-dimmed, murderous, seething hell;
A hope forlorn, though they fought full well,
And their life-blood marked where the soldiers fell.

The only son of his mother (she said),
And I a widow. She raised her head,
But mother and wife had no tears to shed;
They died for their country; my brave, dear dead.

—E. G.

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Big Crowd Of Orientals

Nine Hundred Japanese and Chinese Arrive on the Steamer Glenogle.

Alpha's Trip to Cape Nome May Probably Have to Be Cancelled.

After twenty-four hours' detention in quarantine, the Northern Pacific steamship Glenogle arrived at the outer wharf yesterday morning and landed some 500 Japanese of the 800 or 900 she had brought across the Pacific, together with about 150 tons of her heavy Oriental freight, 3,000 odd tons remaining for transcontinental forwarding. The Glenogle's contribution of Japanese to the population is perhaps the largest ever made by any individual ship, the smart little brown men (and women) quite filling the immense sheds at the ocean dock as they with their baggage were inspected and marched away. Quite a number of the new arrivals (through the interpreters) stated that they had come to America to "make railroads"—although where the railroads are to be made these deponents said not. The Glenogle left Yokohama on February 27, three days later than the Empress of India, but brought neither letters nor newspaper files of a date subsequent to those received from the C. P. R. liner. From the Japanese it was learned that Prince Waldemar of Denmark had arrived at Yokohama, where he was to be lavishly and magnificently entertained before proceeding to Tokyo. Telegrams from Seoul stated that an insurrection of formidable proportions had occurred at Hanking-do, Korea.

STILL UNDECIDED.

Owners of the Alpha Are Still Working, But With Small Encouragement.

In consequence of the tangle into which her affairs have got through the hostile efforts of American rivals, the Alpha is not making her special trip to Nome this week. Mr. Stupe, her representative, who went over the Sound a few days ago to ascertain if something could not be done to enable her to carry out her plans for the trip to Nome, came home yesterday—with little to report. It is not that the United States officials cannot very easily issue the desired permit, but they will not. That the Alpha might very easily be transferred to American register, for that matter, is evidenced by the experience of the Miami some two months ago; while the San Francisco brig Pitcairn has been granted permission to go direct to Nome. The C. P. N. Co. are applying for special legislation by the United States giving their Amur American register, which being secured they intend to Christen her the "Colonel Lewis," after Washington's famous orator—and send her at once to the new treasure field. The Alpha's owners have not yet given up hope by any means—but the case unquestionably looks dark for them.

GOSSIP OF THE WATER FRONT.

Sunshine and Shirt-Sleeves the Rule Along the Harbor—Yosemite Out in a Week.

Steamer City of Puebla is expected to make a quick trip up from San Francisco, and should arrive this afternoon.

C. P. N. Co.'s steamer Danube leaves at 10 to-night for the North, calling en route at both Nanaimo and Vancouver. She will have her usual profitable lists of passengers and cargo.

D. G. S. Quadra went out early yesterday morning to locate and properly mark the rock on which the collier Benmohr touched Sunday evening, coal at Comox and then spend some little time in general buoy work.

Steamer Mystery took out supplies and men yesterday to the sealing schooner Mary Taylor, now lying at Port San Juan. The Taylor will sail for the Northern hunting grounds at once.

Steamer Maude is being renovated, repainted and generally freshened up at Turner, Beeton & Co.'s dock. When she leaves the hands of the workmen now employed on her, she will be fit for excursion service.

Beyond the slight repairs to the stem necessitated by her recent adventure on Sidney spit, the Yosemite is found to require no attention at the hands of the ship carpenters. According to the managers of the marine railway, where she is under treatment, the good old steamer will be able to resume her route in a week's time.

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Yesterday was a perfect day along the harbor—a day of sunshine glancing on blue water, and white-winged gulls pluming themselves in long lines on the ridge-poles of the various wharves, while even the 'longshoremen in shirt-sleeves forgot to grumble under the magic of spring weather past improvement.

Steamer Queen City is due from the North.

Ship Caesarae, which arrived at William Head quarantine station on Monday, after a fast passage from Honolulu, is under charter to load lumber at the Hastings mill, Vancouver.

Steamer Victorian is to land her passengers at the Brackman & Ker wharf this morning, and sail at her usual time from the outer wharf.

German ship Renee Rickmers completed her period of detention at William head quarantine last evening, and proceeds to Chemainus for her lumber cargo.

British ship Champion and schooner Okanagan sailed from Honolulu on the 1st instant, bound for Royal Roads. The Okanagan will be remembered as the schooner at one time thought to have been wrecked on the west Vancouver island coast, but from which a bottle message was subsequently received.

President Wood of the Seattle-Yukon Company, purchasers of the wrecked barkentine Falkenberg, is expected here by the Victorian this morning, to make arrangements for the repair of the vessel so that she may be sent to Nome.

Sealing schooner Ocean Rover goes on the ways this morning for re-caulking and general repairs necessitated by her recent battle with the gale off the Queen Charlotte islands.

The Futuyama Company, a shipping-commercial organization of Japan, purposes putting on an American-Japanese line of freighters to operate between Asiatic ports and Portland and Victoria. The handling of salt fish, lumber, flour and surplus freight from the regular liners will be their specialties.

The Lorne left the outer wharf at 1:15 a. m. to tow to Chemainus for lumber cargo the German ship Renea Rickmers, for several days lying at William Head.

KEELEY AND HIS CURE.

What the System He Gave a Name to Has Brought About.

From the New York Sun.

Before the death of Dr. Keeley, the inventor of the "Keeley cure," at Los Angeles on Wednesday, he had dropped from the conspicuous place he had held a few years before in the public interest. His "cure" for drunkenness and the diseased mania for alcoholic stimulation was applied with results so successful apparently that the establishment at Dwight, in Illinois, where he first used the treatment, speedily became too small to supply the demand for its treatment, and like hospitals were set up in various parts of the Union, under the charge of practitioners secretely instructed by Keeley.

Of course this secrecy was altogether unprofessional and it relegated the "Keeley cure" to the category of quack remedies, the requirements and usage of the medical profession being that everything put forward as contributory to the advancement of the healing art shall be freely offered for analysis, trial, examination and scientific discussion. Dr. Keeley, however, persisted in keeping secret the character and composition of his "cure" and his method of treatment, to the great advantage of his pocket, but to the utter destruction of his standing as a physician and of all medical consideration for his "cure." The taint of humbug attached to his business scheme, financially successful, as it proved to be. He preserved the manner of mystery, however, because, really, he had nothing to tell which was not already known, and the real or apparent efficacy of his "cure" depended chiefly on mere delusion of the patient.

Of course, in treating the mania for alcohol as a disease he introduced nothing novel to medicine, but when he pretended that he had found a specific for it in chloride of gold, as it was understood, he fell back on pure quackery. Actually the Keeley method was moral rather than physical; its influence was on the imagination of patients. Such a method is unquestionably justified in medicine; appeal to the imagination as a powerful means for the cure of disease is frequent and efficacious, and the use of the "suggestion" of hypnotism is not debarred; but to attempt to conceal from the medical profession the method of treatment in order to monopolize it for purposes of pecuniary gain is, of course, pure quackery. Kindred systems for the treatment of the disease of drunkenness have since been pursued by practitioners who have made them known scientifically, with beneficial results as great as those ever reached by the mysterious "Keeley cure," even if not greater. Meantime many who have been apparently "cured" by the Keeley method fell again into drinking habits more tyrannical than those which disabled them before, and thus the vogue of the "cure" has been passing away of recent years, with the result that methods of treatment having a reputable medical standing seem to have replaced it largely.

In spite of its quackery, however, the "Keeley cure" has probably served a valuable purpose in inducing among drunkards a more general recognition of the fact that they are the victims of a disease which requires specific treatment as such. In that way, also, it has been of assistance in promoting temperance in the use of stimulants, by warning people of their liability to the contraction of an uncontrollable mania, in very way destructive, and exceedingly difficult to cure, if they pass beyond the bounds of strict moderation.

LIQUORS BURNED.

London, Ont., March 13.—Fire in Somerville & Co.'s grocery completely destroyed the liquor stock and did great damage to other goods.

SHARKEY AND CONROY.

New York, March 13.—Tom Sharkey and "Stockings" Conroy, of Troy, N.Y., were matched to-day to box twenty rounds before the Eureka A. C., of Baltimore, on June 29 next.

MR. PHELPS' FUNERAL.

Burlington, Vt., March 13.—The funeral services of the late Hon. E. J. Phelps were held to-day in St. Paul's Episcopal church. The state was represented by Gov. E. C. Smith and his entire official staff.

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Short Session Of Council

Expenditure By-Law Receives Its Finishing Touches After Brief Discussion.

Shortage of Appropriations For Street Work—Some Tenders Awarded.

At last evening's special meeting of the city council the expenditure by-lay, 1900, was put through its final stages and referred to the auditor for revision, so as to be reconsidered at the next regular meeting. There were present His Worship Mayor Hayward in the chair and Ald. Hall, Brydon, Beckwith, Cameron, Kinsman, Cooley, Stewart and Williams.

Tenders for the site for a fire hall for Victoria West were received from B. Williams & Co., a lot on corner of Catherine street, 60 x 60, $350; I. Braverman, sub-division lot 181, lot 2, Esquimalt road, 40 x 250, $600; Rev. W. E. H. Ellison, two lots, 132 feet frontage by 130 feet, $1,800; James Walsh, one lot for $398.50; E. H. Anderson, lot 52, block 1, price $800; M. Leguire, lots 3 and 4, sub-division L., Victoria West, Langford street, $500; H. M. Grahame, lot 73, block L., 60 x 120, $200; lot 73, block L, Esquimalt street, $280; lot 75, block L, $280; lot 85, Edward street, $200—each for sale separately; E. M. Johnson, 1 lot, $750; Beaumont Boggs, as agent for John Dean, Rossland, one lot, $800; as agent for W. Ralph, one lot, $375.

Tenders for sprinkling were then received from: M. Humber, one or two teams, 40c per hour; F. H. Lindsay, 45c per hour for each team and driver; David Gowdy, 42½c per hour; D. M. Robinson and Jos. Rule, 39c per hour.

Tenders for police clothing were received from: Sprinkling & Co., Thomas & Grant, William Stewart, J. T. Burroughs & Co., and Walter D. Kinnaird.

Tenders for police goods were received from Henry Short & Sons and John Barnsley & Co.

Tenders for boots for police were received from Geo. H. Maynard, $6 per pair; H. Mansell, $6.

The various tenders were referred to the purchasing agent and committees, those for the lot in Victoria West to the fire warden and purchasing agent for report.

Tenders for street sprinkling were after some discussion awarded to the lowest tenderer.

A communication was received from Stephen Jones of the Dominion hotel asking permission to build a temporary kitchen on the vacant lot adjoining the hotel. Granted.

The council then went into committee of the whole on the estimates by-law.

Taking up the question of the appropriation for street work, Ald. Cameron showed that there would be a scarcity of money before the year was over, as the work now on hand would eat up a large sum.

Ald. Kinsman suggested that the appropriations for harbor work and the park be cut down.

Ald. Hall—What's that? The park? The park's all right.

Leaving this clause for a moment and taking up one dealing with the sale of land sold for taxes, Aldermen Cameron, Beckwith, Brydon and Kinsman protested against the arrangement continuing, which provides that 5 per cent be paid to the assessor for his services as autioneer. The item was cut down to $250.

Ald. Stewart asked that $200 be added to the estimates for the fire department to provide for helmets and other necessaries for the firemen.

Ald. Cameron recognized all these wants, but thought other more important business should take precedence.

Ald. Brydon thought the item could very well stand over. There had been a considerable increase already in the vote for the fire department.

Ald. Stewart's motion to reconsider the vote was passed.

YOUNG MOTHERS.

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Over a dozen clever musical, dancing and operatic specialties are distributed throughout the comedy of complications, "Who is Who," which will be seen at the Victoria Theatre to-night. This organization has had columns of praise written about it in the largest newspapers in the country, and will introduce much new matter. There are various specialties and a budget of catchy songs in the comedy and are right up to date. With the large corps of funmakers and pretty girls, they bespeak an evening of fun and enjoyment.

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COAL MINES REGULATION.

Argument Commenced Yesterday on the Evidence Submitted at Nanaimo.

The coal mines regulation arbitration met in the Maple committee room at the parliament buildings yesterday morning to hear the arguments on the evidence submitted at Nanaimo and Comox. The arbitrators are Mr. T. T. Wynne, for the Union and Extension mining companies, and Mr. W. J. McAllan for the province. Mr. F. W. McCready being the umpire. Mr. A. L. Belyea, Q. C., appeared for the crown, and Mr. Robert Cassidy for the companies. What the arbitrators have to decide is practically whether Chinese and Japanese are a source of danger in coal mines. The late government, through the mining inspector, gave notice to the companies, under the Mining Act, that they would have to discharge certain Japanese and Chinese, who could not read the regulations. The companies demurred, and the question as to whether the men objected to were incompetent was referred to the arbitrators. A great deal of evidence was taken, many of the witnesses giving general testimony of the danger or otherwise of Chinese and Japanese working in mines.

When yesterday's session commenced, Mr. Cassidy objected to the general evidence being admitted, contending that the only evidence admissible was that bearing directly on the Union and Extension mines. This led to a long discussion, the arbitrators finally deciding that the arguments should proceed, the question as to the admissibility of certain evidence to be afterwards referred to the courts.

This discussion occupied all morning, and the arbitrators adjourned until 2 o'clock, when Mr. Cassidy opened his argument, taking only the evidence of the crown witnesses who had knowledge of the Union and Extension mines.

It was decided to sit each day until the arguments are concluded, from 10 to 12:30, and from 2 to 4.

How can the British trooper bold
Defeat the wily Boer,
Unless he tones his system up
With good old "Jesse Moore?"

OPPOSED TO VACCINATION.

Address on the Vexed Question in Zion Tabernacle This Evening.

The time allowed by the municipal health authorities in which school children should be vaccinated having expired last Monday, quite a number of the pupils attending the city public schools were on that day and yesterday sent home, while an even larger number have been obliged to suspend their studies for the present owing to objection by the parents to vaccination. The number of the anti-vaccinationists appears, indeed, to have greatly increased during the past six months, and it may fairly be said that the most honest basis exists for their objections. They are exhausting the resources of anti-vaccination literature in order to make out a good case, and have induced Rev. R. M. Simmons, of Vancouver, to visit the Capital in connection with their interesting campaign. This reverend gentleman is announced to speak at the Zion tabernacle, corner of Broad and Pandora streets, this evening at 8, his theme being "The Failure and Iniquity of Vaccination." "Startling facts" are promised to be given, and the committee in charge of the lecture cordially invite all interested in the subject of vaccination—and more particularly those opposed to this system of disease prevention—to be present. Aside from a few cases of diphtheria and one or two isolated examples of scarlatina in the suburbs, the health of the city is understood to be good at present.

There is not an ounce of headache in a barrel of it—Jesse Moore "AA" whiskey.

YUKON MAILS.

Splendid Time Being Made by the Canadian Development Company.

The Dawson Sun contains the following complimentary notice of the manner in which the Canadian Development Company are handling the Yukon mails:

"The Royal Mail Express Co. are to be congratulated on the remarkable time which they have made in the handling of the mail. Last week they broke all previous records by taking the mail from Dawson to Bennett in six days. The mail following this one was even more wonderful, as the following message goes to prove:

"'Bennett, B. C., Feb. 20.

"'T. A. Davis, Dawson:

"'Mail arrived 8 this morning, five days four hours from Dawson.

"'ALEX. J. CAMPBELL,
"'Agent C. D. Co.'

"The prompt manner in which the mails are handled, both on the trail and in the post office here, leaves nothing to be desired, and places the outside much nearer than it has been heretofore. This with our telegraph connection means much to our merchants here, and we no longer are the isolated country we once were."

All people who have teeth chew! though they don't all chew tobacco. Should you be one who does, try "Black Bass" Navy Chewing! It is a new brand and embodies all the old time excellences and other new ones peculiar to itself. It is splendid. "Black Bass" Navy Chewing Tobacco is Union made.

CIVIL SERVANTS EXERCISED.

Some Have Already Received Notice of Their Dismissal.

These be days of tribulation and speculation for the men and women of the provincial civil service, for they are all quite well aware that salaries are unprovided for after the close of the fiscal year on June 30—and unless a general election is held and a special session of the legislature called before then, it is a question where their money is to come from. Already appropriations are being exhausted, the first head to fall in consequence being that of Miss Janion, who filled the position of stenographer and typist in the office of the provincial librarian. It is distinctly set forth in connection with this dismissal that it is occasioned solely through the appropriation having become exhausted—certainly no fault could be found with the manner in which Miss Janion has always discharged her duties. It is understood that Miss Janion has already secured a new and better position with Messrs. Bodwell & Duff. Several of the temporary clerks have also been dismissed.

WHAT IS SHILOH?

A grand old remedy for Coughs, Colds and Consumption; used through the world for half a century, has cured innumerable cases of incipient consumption and relieved many in advanced stages. If you are not bottle back and we will refund your money. Sold for over fifty years on this guarantee. Price 25 cts. and 50 cts. All druggists.

HERO OF LADYSMITH.

How Capt. Lambton Popularized Himself on South American Coast.

Now that all the world is talking of the heroic deeds of the Naval Brigade at Ladysmith, and all the illustrated papers are printing the portrait of Capt. Lambton, R.N., who with Gen. White divides the honor for the successful defence of that much-talked-of South African town against overwhelming odds, it may perhaps be in order for Victorians to remember who this Capt. Lambton is. Surely no one of those who knew him when here in command of H.M.S. Warspite will forget the cheery, whole-souled representative of the best type of British officer. Nor are any of those having interests or connections in the South African states likely to forget the part played in the memorable Chilian revolution. If one went to Callao, or Corinto, or Iquiqui, indeed, and admitted ignorance of the man when Capt. Lambton was mentioned, it is doubtful indeed if he would escape whole-skinned. For Lambton is the hero and demi-god of that flourishing republic.

How it came about is an old story, but it is worth repeating, as Capt. S. F. Scott, of the old West Indian, once told it to a Colonist reporter. It was when Capt. Lambton was on this coast as flag-captain of the Warspite, then Admiral Hotham's flagship, that he played his interesting part in the dramatic events culminating in the revolution. Hostilities were in fact fully in progress when the Warspite visited Corinto and Callao harbors, one of these towns being actually under bombardment by the old government ships, several of which were subsequently destroyed by the revolutionists. By the use of the glasses Capt. Lambton and his brother officers could fully satisfy themselves that there were women and children in the town, where shells, shrieking and screaming, brought death and fire and destruction. The humane feelings of the British captain and his indignation that such things should be permitted under the name of war, were at once aroused, and he quickly signalled to the bombarding ships to cease firing until he might remove the women and children.

There was no immediate response, but the bombardment continued.

The next signal from the cruiser bearing the British flag was more pertinent and imperative. It was "Cease firing until women and children can be removed or we shall fire upon you."

At the same time an officer in one of the Warspite's boats was despatched to the firing Chilian ship, while the guns of the Warspite were cleared for action, ammunition was hurriedly brought up, and the crew tumbled to quarters with enthusiasm, naked to the waist, as their sea-fighting fathers of old, when they won for Britannia her indisputable title of mistress of the seas.

It was only a moment—the Chilians saw that the British war-dogs were aroused, and were prepared to more than show their teeth. The cannonading ceased; the smoke rolled away; and amidst the cheers of the town, British tars saw to the safe bestowal of non-combatants.

It was for this act that Capt. Lambton has been received into the hearts of the people of Chili as a heroic knight of modern chivalry; it is for this that statues have been erected in his honor in the public plazas; and for this that he enjoys the freedom of more than half the towns of Chili. A lion in battle—tender-hearted as a woman to the weak and helpless—such is Captain the Hon. Hedworth Lambton, hero of Callao, and more recently hero of Ladysmith.

Don't drink the first thing the bartender offers. Call for Jesse Moore "AA" whiskey and insist on getting it. *

Epworth League. — The Epworth League of the Metropolitan Methodist church under the direction of the literary department, spent a very pleasant and profitable time Monday night. A short address was given by Dr. Hall on the "Creation of the World," which was listened to with wrapt attention by the large audience present. A short business meeting was held at the close.

THE STARVATION PLAN.

Of Treating Dyspepsia and Stomach Troubles is Useless and Unscientific.

The almost certain failure of the starvation cure for dyspepsia has been proven time and again, but even now a course of dieting is generally the first thing recommended for a case of indigestion or any stomach trouble.

Many people with weak digestion, as well as some physicians, consider the first step to take in attempting to cure indigestion is to restrict the diet, either by selecting certain foods and rejecting others or to cut down the amount of food eaten to barely enough to keep soul and body together, in other words the starvation plan is by many supposed to be the first essential.

All this is radically wrong. It is foolish and unscientific to recommend dieting to a man already suffering from starvation because indigestion itself starves every organ, nerve and fibre in the body.

What people with poor digestion most need is abundant nutrition, plenty of good, wholesome, properly cooked food, and something to assist the weak stomach to digest it.

This is exactly the purpose for which Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are adapted and the true reason why they cure the worst cases of stomach trouble.

Eat a sufficint amount of wholesome food and after each meal take one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets to promptly digest it.

In this way the system is nourished and the overworked stomach rested, because the tablets will digest the food whether the stomach works or not, one grain of the active digestive principle in Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets being sufficient to digest 3,000 grains of meat, eggs or other albuminous food.

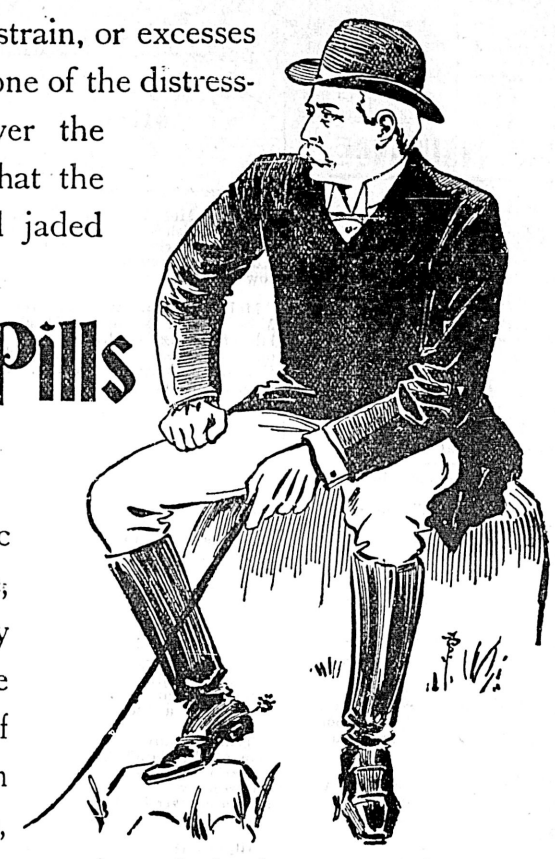
Dr. Harlandson and Dr. Redwell recommend these tablets in all cases of defective digestion because the pepsin and diastase in them are absolutely free from animal matter and other impurities and being pleasant to the taste are as safe and harmless for the child as for the adult.

All drug stores sell this excellent preparation and the daily use of them after meals will be of great benefit, not only as an immediate relief, but to permanently build up and invigorate the digestive organs.

Subtracting from the total of "Toll Gate Inn" a very prettily set first act, plus two well depicted village eccentrics—the rustic doctor and the village tinker—plus an oddly sustained but not vacuous half-breed, and one has a product about the soggiest sample of wooden melodrama as has tried the temper of local theatregoers for a season past. The story is an old one of love and war and treachery and the good Indian of fiction; incidentally deeds of daring are done in rapid sucession with the dramatic intensity and realistic force displayed by a half-slumbrous school child repeating the memorized formulae—"British Columbia is bounded on the North by Queen Charlotte Sound, on the west by the Pacific ocean," etc., etc. The playbill says that Langdon McCormick is the author of the "play"—it does not say what his sentence was.

Nervous Debility

may be caused by over-work, worry, mental strain, or excesses of almost any nature. Very frequently it is one of the distressing after effects of la grippe. But whatever the cause a debilitated, nervous system means that the nerves lack nutrition. Feed the tired and jaded nerves and life will renew its joys for you.

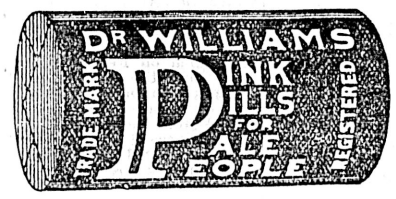


Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People

is the best nerve food and most valuable tonic known to science. Merit, and merit alone, has given these pills a larger sale than any other medicine in the world. Through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills hundreds of thousands of tired, and jaded, despondent men and women have been made bright, active, work-loving people. But you must get the genuine—imitations are always a source of disappointment, and a waste of money.

WEAK AND NERVOUS.

Mr. Austin Fancy is a well known blacksmith living at Baker Settlement, a hamlet about ten miles from Bridgewater, N. S. Mr. Fancy is well known in the locality in which he lives. He is another of the legion whose restoration to health adds to the popularity of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Mr. Fancy related his story of illness and renewed health to a reporter of the Enterprise as follows:—"During the last winter, owing I suppose to overwork and impure blood, I became very much reduced in flesh, and had severe pains in the muscles all over my body. I felt tired and nervous all the time, had no appetite and often felt so low spirited that I wished myself in another world. Some of the time, necessity compelled me to undertake a little work in my blacksmith shop, but I was not fit for it, and after doing the job, would have to lie down; indeed I often felt like fainting. I was advised to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and after using a couple of boxes, I felt a decided relief. The pains began to abate, and I felt again as though life was not all dreariness. By the time I had used six boxes I was as well as ever, and able to do a hard day's work at the forge without fatigue, and those who know anything about a blacksmith's work will knew what this means. Those who are not well will make no mistake in looking for health through the medium of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.



Pink colored pills in glass jars, or in any loose form, or in boxes that do not bear the full name "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, are not Dr. Williams'.

The genuine are put up in packages resembling the engraving on the left, with wrapper printed in red.

Sold by all dealers in medicine or direct from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont., at 50 cents a box or six boxes for $2.50.

ESQUIMALT - NANAIMO RY.

New Time Card to Take Effect Saturday, December 2nd.

Leave Victoria Daily	- -	9 00 a m.	
Leave Victoria Saturday	-	9.00 a.m.	and 3 10 p.m
Arrive Victoria D'ly except Sunday	-	11 45 a.m.	
Arrive Victoria Saturday	-	11.45 a.m	and 6.25 p.m
Arrive Victoria Sunday	-	6 20 p,m.	

Excursion Tickets on sale to and from all Stations on Saturday and Sunday, good to return on Monday.

GEO. L. COURTNEY,
Traffic Manager

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A Specific For Habitual and Obstinate Constipation.

AFTER THE FIRST FULL DOSE OF APENTA, taken early in the morning (followed perhaps by a little hot water, or hot coffee or tea), smaller doses may be persevered with, in gradually reduced quantities, at intervals of a day or two, until the habitual constipation is completely overcome. Further particulars from United Agency Co., Seymour Building, New York, Agents of the Apollinaris Co., Ld., London.

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After a hard day's work, there's nothing so refreshing as a cup of good hot Blue Ribbon Ceylon Tea.

THE LION OF ENGLAND.

Rouse thee, Lion, from thy slumber, thou art girdled round with foes,
Foes who 'gainst thy wide dominion fain would force or guile oppose;
Lo! they urge each other forward—halting still 'twix hate and fear,
While the jackal thou hast nurtured turns upon thee unaware.

Shall the flaunting of the lilies bar thee on thy destined way?
Thou hast trampled on those lillies at the close of many a day;
Crecy's rout and Poictier's slaughter—Quatre Bras and Waterloo,
Well may bid thy foes to ponder ere the quarrel they renew.

Swerve not for the vengeful clamor of the Eagle's motley brood,
Scorn their menace as their warning; yield not to their envious mood;
Though they circle ever nearer—bolder growing in their wrath,
Thou wilt bid them stand, O Lion! should they dare dispute thy path.

Though the Bear—ignoble rival—lifts his voice in threatening growl—
Ceaseless 'questing on thy borders—bends on thee his sullen scowl;
Dare him on from out his fastness as thou oft hast done before;
Thou hast braved his utmost fury—thou canst tame him as of yore.

Rouse thee, Lion, from thy slumber, and thy fair dominion guard
'Gainst the eager foes that ring thee, keep thou ceaseless watch and ward.
Thou art lonely in thy power, as seems thy lordly pride;
None there are to give thee comfort—none who range them by thy side.

None? Nay, some there are will aid thee; thou hast reared a goodly brood—
Stern of heart and strong of purpose—scattered far o'er plain and wood;
Hark! the chorus of their voices in united thunder rolls,
Over land and sea resounding from the tropics to the poles.

"Thou hast bred us, fed us, taught us, thou hast made us strong and free.
Dost thou need us? We are ready to abide and fight with thee."
Give them welcome, with thy kind red thou canst aid and comfort find;
Shun with care each alien's promise; ne'er was pact their faith found blind.

Thou and thine, assistance scorning, well may guard thy fair domain—
Thou and thine, all foes defying, well may every prize retain.
With thy matchless brood around thee land and sea must own thy sway—
Though a banded world oppose thee; shrink not from the deadly fray.

And when triumph crowns thy valor, and the victory is won,
Shrink not from the full completion of the task thou hast begun;
Let nor ruth nor pity stay thee; force nor threat nor prayer restrain;
Lo! the day of vengeance cometh; rouse thee, Lion, smite again.

North Yakima, Wash., U.S.A. GEO. BOSDET.

PROVINCIAL

ROSSLAND.

The other day scarce parties started out from Trout lake and Ferguson to look for Andy Ward, who is believed to be lost. He left Ferguson early in January for his cabin near the head of Ten-Mile, but from the appearance of the place when visited recently by Ed Brewster, he had never reached there, as his traps were untouched and his blankets still rolled up and hanging to the roof. It is feared that the unfortunate man has met with some accident which has disabled him and he has perished miserably of hunger and cold, as he was too experienced a woodsman and too well acquainted with the country to lose his way. Andy is one of the best known men in the country, besides being extremely popular, and his supposed fate is very bitterly regretted.—Rossland Miner.

NEW DENVER.

New Denver, March 5.—Men have been rushing into camp during the week at a great rate, there being now far too many hands offering than there are openings for. A large proportion of the old hands, who were in other camps during the lockout, have returned and are gradually finding employment. Other mines will shortly be opening and those at present working are steadily increasing their forces, so that in another month things ought to be near their normal position.

Dr. Brouse is looking after the smallpox case at Nakusp and has taken stringent measures to prevent the disease spreading. Mrs. McCully has but a mild attack, and it hoped soon to have her around. In this and neighboring towns an increasing number of sore arms testify to the precautionary measures being taken. The Slocan has had a hoodoo every season as yet, but it is hoped smallpox will not be its burden this summer.

It is reported here that the Monitor group, at Three Forks, has been sold to English parties for $120,000. The reputed purchasers are Messrs. Stace and Brockman, who are also interested in the Ajax Fraction.

Last week's ore shipments totalled up 410 tons. Soon they will be 1,000 tons a week. Among the shippers were the Payne 290 tons, Rambler 20, Last Chance 40, and Sunshine 20. The latter is the first from that property in two years.—Nelson Tribune.

WAUCHOPE.

Wauchope is the name of the new town on the Fire Valley trail and head waters of the Kettle river, and named in honor of General Wauchope, who lost his life at Magersfontein, South Africa.

Three hundred and fifty lots are now surveyed (or forty-five acres), and some thirty lots disposed of. The following buildings are now under construction: Hotel, store, assay office, boarding house and livery stable. Thomas Bros. & Co. will put forty pack horses on the trail as soon as the snow leaves the ground. There are only two and a half to three feet of snow in the Kettle River valley; thirty tons of freight are now ready for the town as soon as the trail opens. We are in communication with Prof. Brock, of Ottawa; he has written us that he will make the geographical survey of the Kettle River district the coming summer.

Mr. Clement, the surveyor, is going to give us a grade from Wauchope up to the Eureka mine. Kootenay has finished the trail as far as the $400 would go.—Vernon News.

VERNON.

Dr. Morris has been appointed district health officer, and last week vaccinated the children at the Blue Springs, Lumby and Okanagan Landing schools. He will visit other schools in the district at an early date.

Snow again fell on Saturday to the depth of three or four inches, and as it descended upon soft and muddy roads it has the effect of making travelling worse than ever.

G. Heggie, manager of the Stephney ranch, near Enderby, returned on Monday from Scotland, with his bride, and has since been receiving the warm congratulations from his many friends.

S. W. Chambers left on Tuesday for the Coast. He will visit Victoria to consult a physician regarding his health, and from there will probably proceed to California for a few weeks.

Miss L. Harding, formerly a respected and popular teacher in our public school, has accepted a position in charge of the school at Williams' Lake, Cariboo, near the 150-Mile House, and left last Saturday to assume her new duties.

We regret very much to announce the death of Harry Ehmcke, son of H. Ehmcke, a well known farmer of Spallumcheen. The deceased succumbed last Saturday to an attack of pneumonia. He was about twenty years of age, and was a bright young man, much respected and esteemed by his neighbors and friends.

An extremely pretty, though quiet, marriage ceremony, in which two of our popular young people were united, took place last Thursday afternoon at the residence of Mr. W. M. Cochrane. The principals were Mr. D. McIntyre, chief miller of the Vernon Flour Mills, and Miss Ada Gould, of this city. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Evans, in the presence of a few intimate friends. Dr. C. W. Corrigan was best man, and Miss Flora Bell bridesmaid.—Vernon News, March 8.

ARE YOU ONE OF THEM.

Statistics show that 25 per cent. of men and women suffer the torture of itching piles. Investigation proves that Dr. Chase's Ointment has never yet failed to cure itching piles, and all of these men and women could end their sufferings at once by using it. Scores of thousands have been cured by this treatment. Everybody can be cured in the same way.

Finance and Commerce

STOCKS IN NEW YORK.

New York, March 13.—The stock market showed very plainly to-day the effect of the reaction of the short interest which accompanied yesterday's sharp advance in prices. Closing quotations were as follows:

Amn. Tob.	106⅛
Amn. Sugar	103⅞
Anaconda	48¾
A. T. & S. F. all paid	23¾
A. S. & W.	56⅝
B. & O.	63⅛
B. R. T.	69¾
C. & O.	28½
C. B. & Q.	124¾
Chicago Gas	97⅝
C. & N. W.	163
C. R. I. & P.	108¼
C. M. & St. P.	123⅞
Cont. Tob. com.	30⅛
Cons. Gas N. Y.	176½
Colo. Fuel & Iron	44⅛
C. C. C. & St. L.	59½
D. & H.	115¾
D. & R. G. pfd.	71¾
Fed. Steel	50¾
J. C.	116¼
L. & N.	81⅞
Man. Elev.	95
Mo. Pac.	46
Met. Trac	164½
Nat. Lead	24¼
N. P. com. new	53⅛
N. P. pfd.	74¼
N. Y. C. & H.	134½
N. Y. L. E. & W. 1st pfd.	37¼
N. Y. Ont. and West	23⅜
Pac. Mail	38⅛
Pressed Steel pfd.	86
P. & R. all paid	17½
Pullman	185
Sou. Ry. com.	53⅜
So. Pac.	38
T. C. & I.	94¼
Tex. & Pac.	16⅞
U. S. Leather	12¾
U. S. Rubber com.	28
U. P. com.	49⅝
Wabash	20¼
W. U.	83½
Com. Cable in Montreal	167½

London, March 13.—C. P. R. closed 101; G. T. R. 1st pfd. 92¾; N. P. pfd. 76½; N. P. com. 54¾.

PRODUCE IN CHICAGO.

Chicago, March 13.—The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat—March 65c., May 63⅞c., July 66⅝—¾c. Corn—March 36c., May 37½c., July 37⅝@⅜c., Sept. 38⅛c. Oats—May 32¾@⅞c., July 22¾@⅞c.

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Some children are pale, weak and puny from birth, others become so as a result of disease, all are fully restored to health and vigor by a treatment with Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. It is nature's greatest restorative for pale, weak, nervous men, women and children. It gives roundness to the form and color to the cheek of the pale and emaciated, and new vigor to every motion of the body.

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PHOTOGRAPHIC SUPPLIES.—R. Maynard, 41 Pandora street.—All kinds of photographic material for amateurs and professionals; Kodaks, Pocoes, Koronas, Primos, etc. Same block Mrs. R. Maynard's Art Studio; also views of British Columbia and Alaska for sale.

Same Block—Maynard's Shoe and Fining store, 41 Pandora street; boots, shoes, leather and shoe findings; "K" boots a specialty.

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SCAVENGERS.

ED. LINES, General Scavenger, 236 Yates street—Yards, etc., cleaned. Orders left at Speed Bros., cor. Douglas and Fort streets; Schroeder Bros., corner Michigan and Menzies will be promptly attended to.

PETER HANSEN, city scavenger, teamster and wood dealer. Building sand and gravel for sale. Address, 49 Discovery street. Telephone 184.

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BANK OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

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THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office,
Victoria, March 13.—8 p.m.

SYNOPSIS.

A vast high barometer area extends from Vancouver Island eastward to Manitoba, while from California to Utah the barometer is comparatively low. These conditions are likely to cause continued fair weather throughout this province and moderate winds along the coast from the Straits to California. Light frosts occurred west of the Cascades this morning, followed by an abnormally warm day.

TEMPERATURES.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	43	60
New Westminster	34	62
Kamloops	30	50
Barkerville	16	..
Calgary	24	44
Winnipeg	—10	4
Portland, Ore.	44	62
San Francisco	48	64

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a.m. (Pacific time), Wednesday:

Victoria and Vicinity—Moderate or fresh northerly winds; fine and mild during the day; probably fair on Thursday.

Lower Mainland—Light or moderate winds; fine and mild during the day; frost at night; probably fair on Thursday.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Observations taken daily at 5 a.m., noon and 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, March 13.

	Deg.		Deg.
5 a.m.	43	Mean	50
Noon	53	Highest	60
5 p.m.	60	Lowest	42

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m. ..... 2 miles north.
Noon ..... 14 miles northeast.
5 p.m. ..... 8 miles northeast.

Average state of weather—Clear.

Sunshine—10 hours 30 minutes.

Barometer at noon—Observed 30.346
Corrected 30.353

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Barometer at 5 p.m.—Corrected 30.30

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A CRIPPLED CRUISER.

Kingston, Jamaica, March 13.—The British cruiser Hermes, which ten days ago, while on a voyage from here to Bermuda, broke her propeller in mid-ocean and was taken into Cat Islands, was towed here to-day by the British cruiser Crescent, which had been despatched to her aid. The Hermes is now undergoing repairs at the dockyards. The Crescent will proceed for Bermuda to-morrow.

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The opening of the fishing season Friday has made the last few days busy ones among the dealers in sporting paraphernalia. Guns have been put away in their comfortable coatings of vaseline, and once again the gun-booted fishermen sally forth, their caps full of gaudy but beautiful flies, hoping to return with full baskets, keen appetites, and no necessity for a call upon the imagination. By the more practical and less artistic fisherman who looks upon the first principle of fishing as getting fish, worm-digging has been a favorite occupation during the just closed week, so that now his ammunition can is full even to crawling over. Reports have been eagerly received from all near-by haunts of the trout, and by daybreak Friday it is to be depended upon the lakes and streams will have more company than they have had in the aggregate for six months past. Of course the favorite fishermen's retreats are for the most part along the line of the island railway; these charming centres of rod sport are so easily accessible, and yet so generally productive of full baskets that it could scarcely be otherwise. Shawnigan lake naturally comes first in importance, but there are besides such capital fishing grounds as the Cowichan river, at Duncans; the Koksilah, generally regarded as a later river; Somenos lake, reached from Duncans, from which town it is distant about three miles; Chemainus river, near the milling town of Chemainus; Haslam creek, to get to which one leaves the train at Cassidy's Siding; and Cowichan lake, with the river fishing good all the way up from Duncans, twenty miles away. This lake will of course be a very popular resort a little later in the season, although even now the attractions it offers to the Saturday and Sunday sportsman are not to be lightly passed over. The stage connecting with the trains at Duncans three times a week makes the lake outing a convenient as well as a delightful one. As for the train accommodation, the managers of the E. & N. have provided a train from Victoria at 9 a.m., and another at 3.10 p.m. on Saturday, with a morning train on Sunday at 7 and 9, the fishermen on the return leaving Duncans at 4.30 Sunday afternoon, or Shawnigan at 5.06—although they are also at liberty to return to the city by the morning train on Monday, the excursion tickets holding good.

GOLF.

Approaching Spring Tournaments.

Now that the spring tournaments are rapidly approaching, and the beautiful links at Oak Bay—the greens dotted with crocuses and wild daisies—are looking their very best, everyone who knows golf and plays golf is getting ready for the big events. It is Victoria as usual that is to lead in the inauguration of the season, the sixth spring meeting of the home club being arranged for the 23rd, 24th and 26th instant. Arrangements are already under way, the officers of the club at present being Mr. F. B. Pemberton, president; Mr. A. P. Luxton, vice-president; and Mr. C. B. Stahlschmidt, secretary-treasurer; while the committee is composed of these gentlemen and Messrs. H. Combe, G. S. Holt, F. H. Stirling, W. F. Burton, C. J. Prior, Arthur Robertson, and Major A. W. Jones.

The programme for this spring's tournament is as below:

FRIDAY, MARCH 23.

9:30 to 10:30 a.m.—Open championship of British Columbia; 18 holes; match play.

10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.—Mixed foursomes; 14 holes.

SATURDAY, MARCH 24.

9:30 to 10:30 a.m.—Open championship continued.

10:30 to 11 a.m.—American Cousins' cup (presented by Mr. Robert Cassidy) competition, open only to lady members of the Tacoma Golf Club; course, 14 holes.

11 to 11:30 a.m.—Ladies' club handicap; 14 holes.

1:30 to 3 p.m.—Open handicap (gentlemen). Putting competition.

MONDAY, MARCH 26.

9:30 to 10 a.m.—Open championship continued.

10 to 10:30 a.m.—Ladies' open championship of British Columbia; medal play; 14 holes.

10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.—"A" and "B" class club handicaps.

1 to 1:30 p.m.—Open championship, final.

1:30 to 2:30 p.m.—Ladies' open handicap; 14 holes.

The tournament of the Tacoma Golf Club is set for the 29th, 30th and 31st of the month, the programme arranged being a long one, as hereunder:

THURSDAY, MARCH 29.

9:30 to 10:30—Men's open competition; 18 holes; match play.

10:30 to 11:30—Women's open competition; 9 holes, match play.

1:30 to 2:30—Women's foursomes; 15 holes handicap; medal play.

1 to 3—Men's driving contest; 4 balls; course 40 yards wide; carry 100 yards; prize for longest single drive; prize for best average.

3 to 5—Women's approaching contest; 4 balls, 2 at 60 yards, 2 at 40 yards; bunkers 25 yards from hole; prize for nearest approach; prize for best average.

10 to 5—Putting contest; from 16 feet circle; down in one, counts 5; down in two, counts 3.

FRIDAY, MARCH 30.

9:30 to 10:30—Continuation of men's competition.

10:30 to 11:30—Continuation of women's open competition.

12:30 to 2:30—Mixed foursomes; 15 holes handicap; medal play.

10 to 5—Putting contest; same terms as on Thursday.

SATURDAY, MARCH 31.

9:30 to 10—Continuaton of men's open competition.

10 to 10:30—Continuation of women's open competition.

12:30 to 1:30—Men's open handicap; 18 holes; medal play; prize for best scratch score; prize for first and second best score with handicap; no competitor to take two prizes.

1:30 to 2:30—Women's open handicap; 15 holes; medal play; prize for best scratch score; prize for first and second best score with handicap; no competitor to take two prizes.

4 to 5—Men's approaching contest; 4 balls, 2 at 75 yards, 2 at 50 yards; bunkers 25 yards from hole; prize for nearest approach; prize for best average.

4 to 5.—Women's driving contest; 4 balls; course 40 yards wide; carry 40 yards; prize for longest drive; prize for best average.

10 to 5—Putting contest; same terms as on Thursday.

LACROSSE.

To Re-organize.

The James Bay Athletic Association, after the experience of one season, having decided not to have anything more to do with lacrosse, the members of the old Victoria club, including many of the old players, will re-organize. A meeting for this purpose will be held this evening in Mr. H. Morton's parlor over the Garrick's Head, Bastion street.

THE GUN.

Joint Meeting.

A joint meeting of the Victoria and Capital gun clubs will be held on Thursday evening at 8:30 in Messrs. Weiler Bros.' office, for the purpose of arranging for the tournament of the Sportsmen's Association of the Northwest, to be held here in June.

ATHLETICS.

Club Meeting.

At a meeting of the James Bay Athletic Association held last evening, Messrs. B. A. Hunter and A. Curtin were elected members, and it was decided to hold a special meeting of members on Monday evening for the purpose of deciding on a suitable memorial for the late W. I. Scott.

TENNIS.

Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Victoria Lawn Tennis Club will be held next Tuesday evening.

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GERMAN PUBLIC MORALS.

Will No Longer Tolerate Stage Pictures Producing Feelings of Shame—Silver Coinage.

Berlin, March 13.—The reichstag to-day debated the so-called Lexheinz, which among other public morality provisions prohibits the exhibition of any picture of stage presentation calculated to produce a feeling of shame. The bill has been severely criticized in the art world.

After discussion, the general debate on the bill was closed. The details of the measure will be discussed to-morrow.

The reichstag adopted by a large majority the coinage bill, providing for calling in the five mark pieces and twenty pfennig pieces, issuing silver up to 15 marks per head of the population, and calling in provincial coins for reminting into new money. Dr. Arendt, Free Conservative, offered an amendment proposing the purchase of silver bullion for minting the new coins, but it was rejected by 161 to 61 votes.

ITALIANS SWINDLED.

Put Their Savings in Private Bank Which Lived Only Six Weeks.

Chicago, March 13.—Thousands of dollars, representing the savings of scores of Italian residents of Chicago, have disappeared from the vaults of Giraldi Frank's private bank. The local police are looking for Frank, who is believed to have left the city. It was discovered yesterday that his bank, which he started six weeks ago, had been thoroughly cleaned out of its funds on Saturday. The matter was brought before the police to-day by many Italians who had put their whole fortunes, in sums ranging from $20 to $300, in Frank's bank.

The exact amount of the loss is not yet known, as Frank's books were kept in Italian, but as he had hundreds of customers, the sum is believed to be well up into the thousands.

The missing banker came here from Philadelphia.

U. S. NAVAL COMMANDS.

Assignment of Fleet to Chinese Waters Revives Talk of Hostilities.

Washington, March 13—Rear-Admiral Kempff, at present commandant of the Mare Island navy yard, to-day telegraphed to the navy department his acceptance of the offer of second in command of the Asiatic station. Admiral Remy, the nominal commandant of the entire naval force on the Asiatic station, is expected to remain in the Philippines, while Rear-Admiral Kempff will have a separate squadron cruising on the Chinese and Japanese coasts. The re-establishment of the force on the Chinese station may be a significant fact, in view of the repeated hints from European sources of hostilities on so large a scale that they threaten to involve Asia.

OPENING PHILIPPINE PORTS.

United States Taking Steps to End the Paralysis of Trade.

Washington, March 13.—Gen. Otis has notified the war department that he has appointed Brigadier Gen. William A. Kobbe, U.S.A., military governor of the province of Albay, Luzon, and of the island of Cataduanes, and temporarily, to subserve immediate purposes, of the islands of Samar and Leyte.

Gen. Kobbe is directed to occupy with his troops the towns of Sorsogon, Legaspi, Donsol and Bulan, of the province of Albay; the town of Virac on the island of Cataduanes, and the town of Taclocan on the island of Leyte and establish civil government as rapidly as possible. Gen. Otis says it is desirable that the ports in question be opened to trade as soon as practicable.

CANADIAN IRON INDUSTRY.

Plans For Mill That Will Have Few Superiors in the World.

Cleveland, Ohio, March 13.—The Wellman-Seaver Engineering Co. of this city has closed a contract with the Nickel Steel Co., of Hamilton, Ont., to design and build one of the largest steel and iron plants in Canada and one that will have few superiors in regard to size in the world. The total capacity of the plant will be 200 tons per day. In addition to the steel plant there will also be constructed a blooming mill of the largest size, a billet mill, rail mill and two plate mills.

UNCLAIMED TREASURE.

Guest Found It in a Hotel and Court Awards Him the Property.

Paris, March 13.—The court before which the case has been tried, delivered judgment to-day in favor of a Boston lawyer named Burdett, in a suit against the Grand Hotel. Burdett, in 1894, found in a wallet in the hotel 25,000 francs. He handed it to the secretary of the hotel, in order that the latter might find the owner. The secretary subsequently gave him 1,000 francs as a reward from the owner, who he said he had discovered. Mr. Burdett inquired and found the story was untrue and that the secretary was trying to cheat him out of his treasure. The court has now ordered the Grand Hotel to pay Mr. Burdett the whole amount and the cost of proceedings.

FIRE COVERS ROBBERY.

Bank Officials Surprised to Find Their Strong Box Empty.

Huron, S. D., March 13.—The safe of the Bank of Hitchcock, which was destroyed by fire on Friday night, has been opened, and to the surprise of the officials, but little money was found. Cashier Wilson says that about $20,000 was in the safe when the bank closed on Friday evening, and it is now believed the safe was rifled and the building fired by thieves. Parties connected with the bank were in the building as late as 7:30, and the fire occurred soon after 8 o'clock. Money has been sent for, and the depositors will be paid in full.

TOO MANY WIVES.

U.S. Postal Employees so Charged but the Evidence not Conclusive.

Washington, March 13.—The investigation of charges that certain federal appointees are polygamists came to a close to-day by agreement, for a unanimous report from the house committee on post offices and post roads. The report is understood to hold that the President was not aware that the appointees were charged with polygamy and that common repute of the communities in which they lived was that the parties were polygamists, but that there is a want of definite and conclusive evidence on the point.

PACIFIC CABLE.

Board Hopeful That Plans Will Be Carried Out Despite Eastern Extension Scheming.

Montreal, March 13.—The Pacific cable board met again yesterday. No response has been received from New South Wales and Victoria in reply to the protests of Canada and other colonies which Mr. Chamberlain endorsed against the land lines concessions to the Eastern Telegraph Company, but the board is hopeful that the concessions will not be made and the project will be carried out in the full spirit of imperial partnership. The board meets again in a few days.

BOYCOTT OF CHINESE.

Montana Judge Declares It Illegal and Enjoins the Labor Unions.

Butte, Mont., March 13.—Judge Knowles, of the United States court, has handed down a decision in the noted Chinese boycott case which has been pending in the court for years. He made a permanent injunction against the labor unions and labor leaders who for years had prosecuted a boycott against the Chinese and all employers of Chinese. It is understood that claims for damages will now be presented to the federal government by the Chinese minister.

MOLINEUX HAS A STORY.

Wants to Go on the Stand Himself in Case a New Trial Is Granted.

New York, March 13.—Roland B. Molineux has notified his counsel that they must call witnesses in his behalf in case the court of appeals grants him a new trial. He has not decided whether he will go on the witness stand, but to justify some of his school boy friends he believes he will and expose some features in the case.

CRANK SCARES THE DIET.

Buda Pest, March 13.—During the session to-day of the lower house of the diet a man named Stfan Lippert rose in the gallery, called out "Long live Hungary," creating a semi-panic, and threw a petition in the midst of the members asking the Emperor King to intervene in the South African war immediately. He was arrested and his sanity will be investigated.

LIFE TERM FOR KIDNAPPING.

Albany, N. Y., March 13.—Assemblyman Apgar's bill amending the penal code so as to provide that a person who is convicted of kidnapping a child under 16 years of age may be punished by life imprisonment, will be reported favorably to-morrow.

MISPLACED CONFIDENCE.

Pretoria, March 10—via Lorenzo Marques, March 13.—General Joubert has arrived here to consult with the government. Rumors of peace overtures are in the air. All attention is directed towards the British advance upon Bloemfontein, but the federals are still confident of being able to check it.

RUSH FOR WAR LOAN.

London, March 13.—The chancellor of the exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, announces that the war loan has been over-subscribed ten times, the applications numbering 18,000. The house at a late hour adopted the votes of money and men embraced in the army proposals of Mr. Wyndham.

PARIS EXPOSITION.

Paris, March 13.—Officials of the Paris exposition said to-night there was no foundation for the report circulated in the United States that the date of the opening had been changed a fortnight. The exposition will be opened April 15, as advertised.

CUSTOMS OFFICER'S DEATH.

Wheatley, Ont., March 13.—Caleb Coatsworth, a customs officer at Romney, and formerly warden of Kent County, died last night, aged 71.

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Purchasing Agent for the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

NOTE—The time for receiving tenders for the above has been extended to the 19th March.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
Purchasing Agent for the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

City Hall, Victoria, B.C.,
February 14th, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners at their next sitting as a licensing court, for a transfer to Frederick Weldon and John Henly, of my license for the sale of wines and liquors by retail, upon the premises situate on the northeast corner of Fort and Douglas streets, Victoria city, known as the Royal Saloon.

Dated this 3rd day of March, A.D. 1900.

ALFRED KENDALL,
By his Attorney in fact.
C. A. HOLLAND.

ANOTHER CANADIAN DEAD.

Toronto, March 13.—A special London cable to the Evening Telegram says: "Pte. A. Theriault, of the 9th Voltigeurs, of Quebec, has died from wounds received in fighting between Kimberley and Paardeberg."

HOME FOR ARBITRATORS.

The Hague, March 13.—The government has leased a large building in the Prinzengracht, for use as a permanent bureau for the international court of arbitration.

TO GOVERN PORTO RICO.

Washington, March 13.—Senator Proctor has introduced an amendment to the house Puerto Rican bill authorizing the President to appoint an officer of the army or navy as governor of Puerto Rico.

A FINANCIER'S DEATH.

New York, March 13.—Chas. H. Coster, a member of the firm of J. Pierrpont Morgan & Co., died suddenly to-day.

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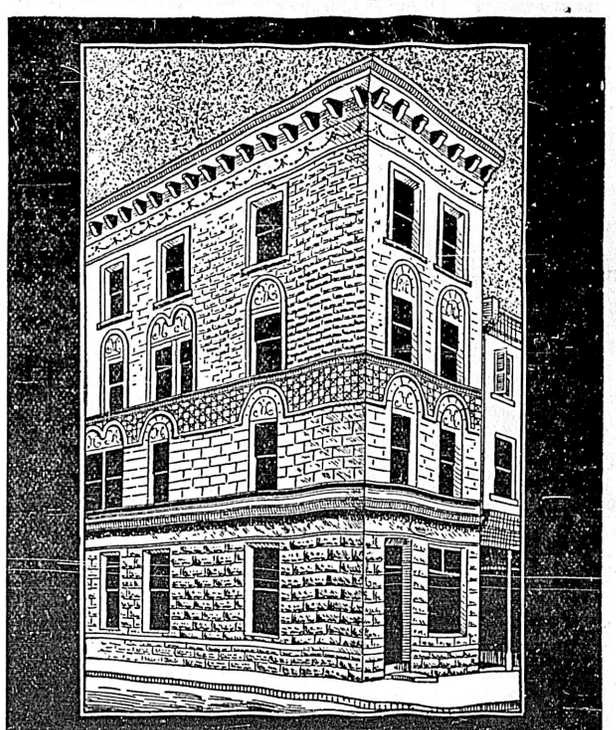

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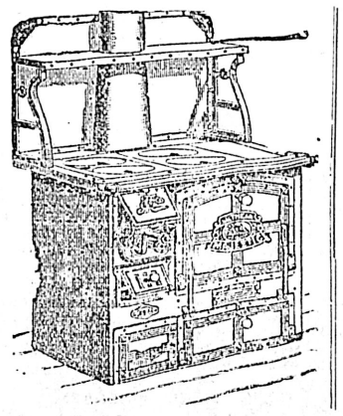

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